MICROBIBLION
OR
THE BIBLES
EPITOME:
In Verse.

Digested according to the Alphabet, that the Scriptures we reade may more happily be remembred, and things forgotten more easily recalled.

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Bonus Textualis Bonus Theologus.
A good Diuine hee's counted still,
In Scripture text that hath good skill.
Psal. 1. 2.
Blessed is he that delighteth and meditateth in the Law of God day and night.

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TO THE RIGHT Honorable his ſingular good Lord, Sir *William Spencer* Knight, Baron *Spencer* of *Wormeleighton*, and to his Honorable Lady:

Simon Waſtell wiſheth encreaſe of honour in this life, and e-*ternall happineſs in the world to come.*

RIght Honorable; Excellent is that ſentence which *Agapetus* wrote to *Iuſtinian* the Emperour long agoe, viz *It is the crowne of Pitie which adornes a Potentate; for riches are with vs, and glory vaniſheth* (ſaith hee) *but that renowne, but that care of leading our liues according to Gods will, hath the promiſe of a Reward everlaſtingly permanent, and of a Crowne immarceſſible.* And ſuch hath

beene Gods mercy to your Honours, that he hath accumulated both internall and externall blessings vpon you, adding to your temporall greatnes, spirituall graces, which make your Honors far more amiable in Gods sight, then any terrene (though transcendent) felicitie can make you admired in the sight of men. The very Ethnicke could say, *Nobilitas sola est atq; vnica virtus.* If the glimmering light of their purblind intellectualls, could appropriate such like Panegyrickes, onely to their Morall and Socraticall vertues, how great are those prayses which are due to those Theologicall and heauenly graces, which by a more diuine Spirit, are breathed into the soules of *Dauids* Saints on earth: Wherein though your Honors endowments haue not the meanest portion (they not being in you, meane, but euen Heroicall,) yet lest I should seeme (as the manner of some Dedicatory Epistle is) to make my way to your Honour by a Parasiticall salutation of all your resplendent vertues in my passage, and lest I do therein offend your right Noble and magnanimous disposition, whose property it is not to be very much affected

ed with thoſe your deſerued praiſes; and becauſe alſo the action in mee would bee cozen-German to baſe flat erie: I therefore paſſe them by in ſilence, where it my mind ſhall neuer ceaſe to afford the due tribute of perpetuall admiration. May it therefore pleaſe your Honor (as formerly it pleaſed your worthy Father my good Lord, now deceaſed) to patronize this little worke, which with all ſubmiſſion I preſent vnto your Honours. Sure I am, that thoſe manifold fauours which I (vnworthy I) from time to time haue receiued from him and you, may challenge requitall; which to be performed by mee is impoſſible, and to be teſtified by ſo ſmall and ſlender a Dedication is in a manner indecent, as being in no waies proportionable to your large and copious demerits. But I am ſomewhat incouraged to make it trauell vnder your Honours Patronage. I know that in all ingenuous and heauenly begotten ſoules, there is an affection in ſome ſort analogical to God himſelfe, of accepting the deſire for the deed. Receiue it therefore I beſeech you, it is performed as I could, not as I would; If your Honour looke to the matter of the

booke, it is an Epitome of Gods Oracles, and containes some of that *aqua cœlestis*, or liuing waters of life and grace: If to the manner of handling the matter, it is briefe, and Alphabeticall, and metricall, for the better and surer memorie. Plaine also it is because the pure and spirituall word needs not the mixture of mans depraued braine; and also because the simplest Christian may reape the greater benefit, when all things are done to edification. Thus presuming vpon your Honorable protection, & intreating the Almightie, that in blessing hee would blesse both your Honors, and honorable Progeny, I humbly take my leaue.

Your Honors euer

to be commanded,

SIMON WAITALL

To the Christian
READER.



IT is the speech of all, almost, and the complaint of the most sincere, that these our last and worst dayes, are dayes very wicked, dayes very dangerous, and therfore surely very dangerous, because very wicked; yet if we looke to the meanes of knowledge and of piety, never time enioyed larger, or better: Great is Gods mercy, small our amendment.

And where's the fault? why our owne consciences doe condemne vs, as delinquents, who will not receiue that which Gods mercy would afford vs. Christ may now take vp his Elegies against England, *as once against* Ierusalem, *How often* O England, England, *would I haue gathered thee as a henne gathereth her chickens vnder her wings, but thou wouldst not. I haue sent my Ambassadors to declare my good will and pleasure to thee, and my loue which I reserue for thy people, if ye would re-*

returne, but thou wouldst not. I haue often knockt at the doore of thy heart for entrance, that thou mightest bee enriched with my Spirit, but thou wouldst not. I haue offred thee, that, aske and thou shalt haue, knocke, and I will open vnto thee, but thou wouldst not. I haue exhorted thee to crucifie those carnall lusts, which fight against thy soule, but thou wouldest not. I haue beene crucified, dead, and buried, that by beleeuing in mee thou mightest haue life, but thou woldest not. I haue ascended from death to life, that by my example thou mightst rise from the death of sin to the life of grace here, and to glory hereafter, but for all this thou wouldst not. These or such like words might Christ iustly vse to the most part of the men of England, whose ignorãce is almost grosse & affected, and whose knowledge (exsept it bee practised) will but augment their condemnation: for this is condemnation, that the light is come into the world amongst vs, and wee loue darkenesse more then light. We know indeed our Masters will, but will not do it. Or if we haue but so much of the gold of the Sanctuary as will tip our tongues, & guild ouer our externall cariage, we thinke we haue enough; whereas the heart was requisite in euery sacrifice, and that being first formed,

and

and giuen vs of God first, should be reformed first and giuen of vs to God againe. But alas, most men now content themselues to liue in this our Church which hates Idolatry, and popish superstition, and thinke this will bee sufficient to shut them to heauen after death: whereas (poore soules) they ought as well to looke to the truth of their profession, as to their profession of the truth, least he, who is the Way, the Truth & the Life, do for their want of truth, deny them the way to euerlasting life. But if these men, or any other, would in sincerity, set footing into the wayes of Gods commands, it is then necessary, necessitate à priori, that they first know what it is which God cõmands: now this is reuealed vnto vs in his word, and his word must be a light to our feet, and a lanterne to our pathes, wee must talke of this when wee rise vp, and when we lye downe, and meditate therein day and night, which that we may doe, we must labour (Christian Reader) to get it into our memories: and to this purpose, as also for a direction to our whole life, is this little Breuiary of the holy Scripture composed into this forme, which if it profit, let all the praise be giuen to him, who is the Author of euery good and perfect worke. Now if any yet desire to be more curious in prying into the

strictnesse

ſtrictneſſe of the Chronologie, I referre ſuch to Herlinus, Gemma Fabri, Funccius, Beroaldus, Broughton, Pantaleō, Schubertus, Cariom, Lodowick Lloyd, Bucholcerus, *and others that haue profeſſedly vndertaken that taske: As for the Grecian computation by* Olympiads, *and the Caldean, Aſſyrian, Egyptian and Perſian Chronologers, let them agree with them no further then they agree with the holy writ which was* 2000. *yeares before any of them. Thus intreating thy charitable cenſure, well-wiſhing, and prayers, I bid thee farewell, reſting*

Thine in any Chriſtian ſeruice

that he can performe,

S. W.

Incommendation of this Worke.

TO keepe vs blameleſſe what excuſe haue we
If ignorant in Gods Commands we be?
Since, to informe vs, what his pleaſure is,
So many helpes we haue that others miſſe:
And are not now compelled to goe ſeeke
The hard phraz'd *Hebrew*, nor the copious *Greeke*,
For, God ſpeakes Engliſh to vs; and aſſayes
To worke true knowledge in vs diuers wayes.
Some men interpret, ſome againe expound:
And this our Author here, a meanes hath found
To helpe the *Memorie*: And not in vaine
If others adde endeauor to his paine.
Peruſe it *Reader*. And ſo mindfull be
Of that, whereof this Booke remembers thee;
That others in thy life, may copyed finde,
What thou art hereby taught to beare in minde.

GEORGE WITHER.

The names of all the Bookes of the Bible, as they follow in order.

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GENESIS.

Chapt. *An. Mundi.*

1 AT first Iehovah with his word,
did make heauen [2], earth and light:
The [6] firmament, the moone, and [14] starres,
the glistering Sunne so bright.
BY him, the [11] earth was fruitfull made
and euery [21] creature good:
He maketh [26] man like to himselfe,
and doth [29] appoint his food.

2 CReation ended, [1] God then rests,
and Sabbath day [3] ordaines:
Plants Eden [8], and the fruit [17] forbids,
for feare of endlesse paines:
DVst of the ground, was man [7] made of;
of rib out of his side
The woman [23]: Adam [20] nameth all:
wedlocke is [24] sanct tide.

3 EVe by the serpent is deceiued,
they fall most [6] shamefully:
God them [9] arraignes, doth serpent [14] curse,
and putteth enmitie

FOule Serpent [15] twixt and womans ſeed,
mans [16] puniſhment's ſet downe,
Their firſt [21] cloathing, their [23] caſting out,
The Lord at them did frowne.

4 GIuen are to Adam here two ſonnes;
Abel by [2] name, and Cain;
Their trade, and their religion ſee,
and godly [8] Abel ſlaine.

HEre Caine is [9] curſt, firſt citie [17] built,
two wiues doth Lamech take:
Here [25] Sheth and Enoch both are borne,
to God [26] men prayers make.

5 IN his likeneſſe, [1] male and female,
God did at [2] firſt create,
Then Adam in his owne [3] likeneſſe
his third ſonne Sheth begate.

KNow here the pedigree, [1] age and death
of [31] Patriarchs related:
From [5] Adam to the daies of Noe,
how [25] Enoch * is tranſlated. *987

6 LOe [2] mariages for beauty made,
which doth Gods wrath procure;
And fearfull flood to [7] drowne the world,
but Noe is [8] ſafe and ſure.

MArke all the [14] order of the Arke,
the [15] faſhion, end and [16] frame;
All that the Lord did bid him doe,
iuſt [22] Noe perform'd the ſame.

7 NOe * with his [7] family: and paires, *1656
repaire into the arke:
The floods [17] doe flow: God ſhuts them [16] in,
O then his iudgements [21] marke.

8 OBſcue how [3] waters doe [15] aſſwage,
on [14] Arrat reſts the arke,

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The Doue, and [7] Rauens ſending forth,
and Noes out-going [11] marke.

PReparing then an Altar, he
doth [20] praiſe and God adore:
God doth accept his ſacrifice:
will curſe the earth no more.

9 QVite freed [1] from feare, God bleſſeth Noe
mans [2] feare, the [3] meat, the [10] bow:
(Which ſignifies [13] Gods couenant)
by Noe the world doth grow.

READ how Noe doth a Vineyard [26] plant,
in Tent he [27] drunken lies,
He curſeth Cham, for [27] Iaphet prayes;
he [28] bleſſeth Sem, and [28] dies.

10 SEe here of Noe, and of his [2] ſonnes
the mighty [6] generations;
Nimrod firſt [8] Monarch: here beginns,
diuiding of the [32] nations.

11 THe world one language had at firſt
confuſion * Babel rent. * 1787
Marke Shem [10] and Terahs [27] progenie:
to Haran [31] Terah went.

12 VP Abram * and thy [1] Country leaue,
I will preſerue thy life, * 2083
Dearth makes [10] him fly, feare makes him faine,
and ſay ſhee's not my [19] wife:
A Plague on Pharoh, and his [17] houſe
the Lord did ſend that day
For Abrahams wife: the King [19] reproues,
but ſends [20] all ſafe away.

13 BOth [1] Lot [2] and he richly [5] returne,
but diſcord parts them both;
Lots lot is ſinfull [11] Sodomes ſoile,
to Hebron [18] Abram go'th.

14 CONquered [1] are fiue Kings by foure,
[11] Abraham reſcues * Lot, *2030
Melchiſedecke [26] receiueth tithes;
Spoiles [22] Abram taketh not.

15 DIuine [1] bleſſings are promiſed,
which [4] he beleeues moſt true,
But firſt his ſeed [13] muſt ſeruants be,
and [18] then their foe ſubdue.

EVen by his [6] faith hee is iuſtified:
God [7] promiſeth againe,
And by a ſigne [13] confirmes the Land,
wherein he ſhould remaine.

16 FOr iſſue Sara [2] giues her maide,
ſhe [4] Sara doth diſdaine,
Afflicted then, ſhe runnes away,
is bid [9] returne againe.

GReiuing [10] full ſore the Angell cheeres,
ſaith, ſhe's [11] conceiu'd with child,
Who muſt be called Iſhmael,
a fierce man and a wilde.

17 HEre God renewes the couenant;
their names [5] are chang'd, they [16] bleſt,
Abraham here [23] is * circumciſed *2440
with Iſhmael and the [25] reſt.

18 IN louing ſort good [1] Abraham,
three Angells entertaines,
At Gods ſtrange promiſe, [6] Sara laughes
and is checkt for her paines.

KNowing that Abraham his [19] would teach,
the Lord doth here [17] declare
The fall of Sodom; Abraham [23] praies,
for ten iuſt men to ſpare.

19 LOt doth two [1] Angells entertaine;
the Sodomites [11] ſtrucke blinde,

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Lots [14] ſonnes doe mocke, he Zoar craues,
where he doth ſatetie finde.
Make haſt (ſaith [15] th'Angell) [17] ſaue thy life,
marke Sodoms [24] fiery ſlaughters:
Lots wife a pillar [26] of ſalt is made,
he [35] drunke, defiles his daughters.

20 NOw Abraham denies his wife:
ſhee's taken by the King:
The Lord [3] reproues him in a dreame
full ſore for that ſame thing.
OF him [7], both man and wife's [16] repron'd;
he Sara doth [18] reſtore:
The King then [17] and his houſe are heal'd
when Abram [18] pray'd therefore.

21 PAſſing great ioy [6] good Sara hath,
for [3] Iſaac * newly born: * 2065.
Hee's [4] circumciſed: wyld Iſhmael,
at him doth ſcoffe and ſcorne.
QVite out of doores Hagar and he,
are caſt, and ſit forelorne:
Twixt [22] Abraham and Abimelech
a League of peace is ſworne.

22 READ [1] here how Abraham tempted is
to ſlay Iſaac * deare to kill, * 2061
His faith, and how he [3] ready is
to execute Gods will.
STayd is his hand by Gods Angell;
the Ramme [13] for him is ſlaine,
The place is nam'd [14]: marke Nahors [22] race,
and Abraham bleſt againe. (makes

23 THe mournings [2] marke which Abraham
for death of Sara * old: * 2085
Machpelah [3] bought to [10] burie in,
which Ephron [16] to him ſold.

24 VNt' [1] Abram here [2] his ſeruant ſweares,
he [12] prayes: a ſigne doth [14] craue;
Rebecka [15] meets: * fulfills the [18] ſigne, * 2088.
and iewels doth [22] receiue.

ANd then ſhe [23] ſhewes her kindred deare,
ſhe home [25] doth him inuite,
Hee's [28] entertain'd; he bleſſeth [29] God;
and meſſage doth recite.

BOth Laban then and Bethuel
his meſſage well [50] approues;
Rebecca giues [57] conſent to goe
Iſaac her [62] meets, and loues.

25 CHildren are [1] borne to Abraham:
his goods diuided be:
His [7] age, his death, his [9] buriall;
and Iſhm'els [12] pedigree.

DEclared is his [17] age, and death,
Rebecca [21] barren liues:
But Iſaac [21] praies, and ſhe conceiues,
two children in her [22] ſtriues.

ESau and Iacob being [24] borne,
their difference [27] Moſes tells,
The birthright [31] Eſau to Iacob,
for meat * prophanely ſells. * 2113

26 FOrc'd by a [1] famine Iſaac is
to Gerar for to goe,
His wife he to the King [7] denyes,
hee's blam'd for doing ſo.

GOd both inſtructs, and [12] bleſſeth him,
in wealth he [12] growes and thriues,
He diggeth [18] wells: the King [26] compacts;
obſerue [32] here Eſaus wiues.

27 HE ſend [1] his [5] ſonne for Veniſon;
by [5] mother Iacob's taught,

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And of his father then is bleſt
while Eſau ven'ſon ſought
ISaac doth feare and [33] tremble much
when Eſau Ven'ſon brings
Too late; * yet by his [34] earneſtneſſe * 2140
hee's bleſt with earthly things.
KIndled full ſore is Eſaus [41] wrath
againſt his brother deare,
His mother [42] diſappoints his rage,
and bids him [43] flye for feare.
28 LOe Iſaac bleſſeth Iacob firſt
and ſends him then away,
To Padan Aram [2] for a wife,
with Laban there to ſtay.
MArke [9] Eſaus wife, and Iacobs [10] ladder,
he ſtone of Bethel [18] takes
And ſets it vp, anoints [18] with oyle,
a [20] vow to God he makes.
29 NOW [1] Iacob comes to Harans well:
doth [11] Rahel kiſſe, and weepe:
Laban doth entertaine [13] him well,
hee's ſet to keepe his ſheepe.
OF him, for ſeuen yeares [18] ſeruice, he
for wife doth Rahel craue,
But Laban full [23] deceitfully,
in her ſtead * Lea gaue. * 2185
PAtiently for Rahel, he
againe [30] will ſeuen yeares ſerue.
Shee's [31] barren: but Leah [32] conceiues
[35] foure [34] Patriarchs [35] obſerue.
30 QVite out of heart (for [1] barrenneſſe)
here Rahel [3] giues her maide:
So Leah, who her husband [14] buyes:
good Iacob [27] here is ſtaid.

RAhel conceiues, and Ioseph beares:
Iacob would be releas'd:
By pollicie of straked rods,
his flocks are much increas'd.

31 SEcretly, and [1] vpon mislike,
(the Lord commanding so)
Iacob departing * with his [17] wiues, *2205.
doth from that Country goe.

THen Rahel steales her [19] fathers gods,
her father followes [22] after:
Complaining of the wrong [26] sustain'd
both by his sonne and daughter.

VPon the Idolls [34] Rahel sits,
thereby the same to hide:
Iacob [36] complaines: they [43] couenant both,
in friendship to abide.

32 AT Mahanim Iacob's Angells see's:
to Esau he [3] doth send;
Whom he doth feare: he prayes to God
that he would him defend.

BY seruants he a [13] present sends:
by prayer [24] he assaults,
And with an [24] Angell wrastleth,
preuailes [25], and after [31] haults.

COmming [4] together both doe kisse,
weepe. Esau gifts [11] doth take,
Doth vse him kindly [9], home [16] returnes
and doth kinde offers make.

33 DEparting he, to [17] Succoth comes,
at Shalem [19] buyes a field
Of Hamors [19] children, where he doth
to God [20] an Altar build.

34 ENtising Sechem * doth defloure *2213
good [2] Iacobs gadding daughter.

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They yeeld to circumciſion
then comes [26] a fearfull ſlaughter.
FOr Simeon and Leui both,
(when [25] people were full ſore)
Doe kill them [25] all, their City [27] ſpoile
and Iacob grieues [30] therefore.
35 GOd ſendeth [1] Iacob to Bethel:
his houſe he [2] purifies
From Idols all, [3] an Altar * builds, *1128
and then nurſe [8] Deb'ra dies.
HEe's bleſſ'd of God, [10] call'd Iſrael:
in trauell Rahel dyes:
The ſonnes of [23] Iacob: Iſaacs [29] death:
Ruben with Bilhah [22] lyes.
36 INto the Country, from [6] Iacob,
Eſau to goe intends:
With wiues, and ſonnes: [24] mules are firſt found:
what Dukes from him [15] deſcends.
37 KInde Ioſeph deadly hated is,
for two [11] dreames which he had,
And for [2] complaints of brothers [8] made,
they are exceeding mad.
LEt vs this [20] dreamer ſlay (ſay they)
(when father had him [13] ſent,
To viſit them) to murther him,
they all ſaue [30] Ruben meant.
MAliciouſly [28] to Iſmalites
they then [31] good Ioſeph ſell:
Potiphar buyes him, [36] bloody coat
ſore grieues old Iſrael.
38 NOw Iud'h doth [3] three ſonnes beget,
call'd [4] Shela, [5] Onan, Er,
Obſerue here [8] Onans filthy fact,
Er takes to [6] wife Thamar.

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38 OF Iuda * she[18] conceiues two sonnes,
Zara[2] and [3]Phares by name: * 2122
He wisht her [24]burnt; [25]she sends her pledge;
he cleares her [26]to his shame.

39 POtipher, Ioseph [3]doth aduance:
his Mistris tempts [7]to sinne:
He flat [8]denyes; she falsly lyes;
and shameleſſe doth beginne,

QVite void of grace him to accuse
(that she herselfe [14]might cleare)
She [15]beleeu'd, hees [19]cast * in ward, * 2127
but God is with him there.

40 READ [1]how the Buttler and Baker
by Phar[2] [3]impris'ned are;
How Ioseph hath the [4]charge of them,
how dreames expounded were.

SAd Butler be not troubled,
thou happy [13]man shalt be:
Haue me [14]in mind, O Baker marke,
the Gallowes [20]groanes for thee.

THus were their dreames interpreted,
and thus [20]they came to passe,
The Buttler [23]Ioseph quite forgate,
and most vnthankfull was.

41 VNto the [24]King is Ioseph brought
his fearfull dreames to tell;
The Butler had him told that he
therein did farre excell.

ALl wizards [8]failing in their skill,
them Ioseph doth [25]expound,
And giues the King [33]most graue aduice,
and counsell wise and sound.

BY Pharoh [41]Ioseph is * aduanc't * 2236
two sonnes [50]begetteth he

Manasseth

Manasseth and [52] Ephraim by name;
great dearth begins [54] to be.

42 COrne for to buy in [3] Egypt land,
his ten sonnes * Iacob sent, *2238
For spies they [17] are imprisoned,
and by their [7] brother shent.
DOe this (saith Ioseph) [8] and you shall
at liberty be set.
Your brother Ben: (you told me of)
goe all saue one and fet.
EVen then they [21] haue remorse in heart
and say one to another
God plagues vs iustly [22] for our sinne,
in selling of our brother.
FOr pledge, is Simeon [24] kept in ward
with corne they home [25] doe goe,
Tell all to [29] Iacob who will stay
his [30] Ben: he loues him so.

43 GOe buy some [2] food (good Iacob saith)
the sonnes they [3] durst not goe
Except he would send [5] Beniamin,
for Ioseph charg'd them so.
HEvery loth yet [11] sends his sonne,
they Presents bring [15] to th Court
Ioseph [25] confers, his brother [29] calls,
and feasts in [32] wondrous sort,

44 IOseph (to stay his [1] brethren still)
commands that coyne with corne,
Should both in their sackes mouth be put,
with them backe to be borne.
KNow that in sacke of [2] yongest sonne
was Iosephs cup conuay'd;
Which found, they [12] feare the fathers pledge,
for Ben: would [33] now be stayd.

45 LOe now doth Ioſeph make [1] himſelfe
knowne to his brethren deare,
Them comforts in Gods [5] prouidence,
and bids them not to feare.
MY father Iacob fetch (quoth he)
and bid him [9] come to me,
For him, and his, I will prouide:
in Goſhen [10] dwell ſhall he.
NOw when the King [25] of this did heare,
he is full well content,
And bids all needfull furniture
for iourney ſhould be ſent.
OH how they kiſſe, and weepe [24] for [25] ioy,
he bids them all [24] agree:
When Iacob heares [27] this ioyfull newes,
[28] a ioyfull man [28] is he. * 2240.

46 PAſſing great comfort [3] from the Lord
he at [3] Beerſheba [4] finds,
Thence he and his [5] to Egypt goe
with all things to their [6] minds.
QVietly [2] all this number goes,
Ioſeph doth [28] Iacob meet,
He tells his brethren [31] what to ſay
when Pharo ſhall them greet.

47 REporting that his friends were come,
fiue brethren [2] he preſents,
With his father [7] before the King,
who giues them [11] their contents.
SEe here how Ioſeph [23] gets the coine,
the [16] cattell, and the [18] land,
All that the Egyptians did poſſeſſe,
into King Pharaos hand.
THe Prieſts land was [22] not bought nor ſold:
old Iacobs age [28] is here,

To bury him with [19] forefathers,
he maketh * Ioseph sweare. * 2255.

48 VNto his (father being sicke)
he comes and sons doth bring:
Old Iacob lifteth [2] vp himselfe
to giue them his blessing.

ALmighty God appeard (quoth he)
to me [3] in Canaan land:
And said, I will thee multiply
and make thy seed [4] as sand.

BEhold [5] Manasse * and Ephraim * 2280.
as his owne sonnes he takes,
Of mothers [7] graue, of their [22] returne,
old Iacob mention makes.

49 CAlling his sonnes, in blessing them
he [8] doth [9] particularize [8],
He chargeth where [23] to burie him,
and then [24] forthwith he dyes.

50 DEath hauing Iacobs dayes dissolu'd,
here read good [1] Ioseph's praise,
Who weepes, and bids [2] he should be balm'd,
they mourne full forty dayes.

EXceeding willing Pharaoh is,
that Ioseph's house should goe,
To bury Iacob (as he swore)
with many Elders moe.

FOrgiuenesse Ioseph's brethren [18] craue,
he grants them their [19] request:
He will maintaine [20] both them and theirs
in quiet peace and [21] rest.

GReat age [25] he liu'd, and of his sonnes
he saw three [26] generations.
He makes them [25] sweare * his bones to beare, * 2310
and foretells their translations.

EXODVS.

Chapt. *An. Mundi.*

1 AFter [6] good Ioseph's funerall,
Isr'el did [7] multiply,
Though new [15] King Pharoh them [19] oppresst
with rage most cruelly.
BInding the midwifes [16] that in birth
each manchild should [8] be kill'd.
But they [17] fear'd God, and did refuse,
then brookes with babes were fill'd.
2 CAst out is [1] Moses, (sweet [2] fac'd [3])
in flaggy arke is thrust.
Kings daughter [4] finds him, seekes [8] a nurse,
hee's twice of mother nurst.
DEliuered then to Court [10] he was:
he an Egyptian [13] slew,
At Hebrues [14] checke, he [15] fled, and [11] wod:
God did their troubles [18] view.
3 EVen as he [1] kept his fathers sheep,
he sees a bush [5] on fire:
God was [9] therein, and Moses fear'd,
of him God did [12] require

From

FRom Pharohs curſt and [10] cruell bonds,
his people for to bring:
Tell them I AM hath charged [14] thee,
to free them from that King.

4 GOe [3] doe theſe wonders: Moſes rod
is turned to [5] a ſnake:
His hand is [6] leprous; loath he is
this taske to [10] vndertake.

HIm [15] Aaron [26] meets, and [16] muſt aſſiſt:
from Iethro Moſes [18] hyes
Gods meſſage vnto [21] Pharoh ſent,
his wife [24] doth circumciſe.

INto the deſart Aaron goes,
meets Moſes [28] ſent by God;
If'el beleeued and [31] did hope
for freedome from that rod.

5 KIng Pharoh chides [4] Gods meſſengers,
and doth Iehouah dare,
The peoples taske [7] he doth increaſe,
for plaints he doth not care;

LOud cry [13] their officers to the King,
they Aaron doe [21] diſdaine;
And Moſes; then [23] he to the Lord
doth pray, and ſore [33] complaine.

6 MOſes relates Gods [1] couenant,
of Reubens off-ſpring [14] read
Of Simeon [15], and [16] Leui, whence
Moſes, Aaron [20] proceed.

7 NOw Moſes [6] old, to Pharoh [7] goes
his rod becomes [8] a ſnake:
So wizards [11] doe: the brookes [19] are blood,
his heart God hard doth make.

8 OMoſes [8] pray [2] frogs, [20] flyes, and [16] lice,
doe vexe King Pharoh ſo:

That

That Wizards [18] fayling, he [28] inclines,
but will not let them [23] goe.

9 PLagu'd are the beasts, with [3] murraine much,
sore botches sent and [19] hayle:
Now Pharo seemeth to repent,
yet all will not preuaile.

10 QVite is the land with [12] Locusts fill'd:
his seruants [7] turn'd his heart,
And he somewhat [8] inclines to let
the Israelites depart.

REpent he [16] seemes: he prayes them [17] pray
for freedome from that ill;
Darknesse [21] is sent, hee's call'd [21] againe,
the King is [27] hardned still.

11 SEe now hee'll [1] thrust you out, require
their [2] Iewells: first [4] borne slaine:
Egyptians [6] cry, his owne are [7] safe
the King withstands [10] againe.

12 THis moneth, tenth day, kill paschall lambe
obserue thereof all rites,
Besprinkle posts: first borne are slaine,
driuen out are th'Israelites.

VNto Succoth [33] great numbers come
with flocks and riches [38] great.
The Passeouer [43] ordained is,
thereof learne who must eate.

13 ALl the [1] first borne [12], vnleauened [8] bread
as signes doth [9] God require,
The Passeouer is [8] memoriall:
(as Moses did desire,)

BOrne are good Iosephs [19] bones from thence,
and they to [20] Etham came?
God guides them [12] in the day by cloud
and in the night [22] by flame.

Cast

CVrſt Pharo [5] cruelly purſues,
a deadly warre [6] to make:
God tells his [7] people what to doe
and what way they ſhould take.

14 Diſtreſt [10] with feare they murmure [11], but
from Moſes comfort [12] found:
They paſſe the Sea vpon dry ground;
but Pharo's hoſt is drownd.

15 EVery one ſung [13] prayſe to God,
(as it was very meet)
The people grudge [14], twelue wells are found
the bitter water's ſweet.

16 FRom God are [11] quailes and Manna ſent,
which vs'd not right [12] doth rot:
None could be found [15] on ſabbath day:
an homer put in pot.

17 GRudging for [7] water, God commands
him ſtrike the rocke with rod:
By prayers [8] force Amaleck's queld,
an Altar built to God

18 HIs wife and ſonnes [2] old [3] Iethro brings,
hee 's glad, and offers [10] prayſe,
Giues Moſes [13] counſell how to rule,
which done, he goes his wayes.

19 I'Se'll ſay, my voyce obey:
I brought you forth with wonders.
They promiſe; muſt not touch the mount,
they tremble at the thunders.

20 KNow, here the ten Commandements giuen
they will'd [18] are not to feare,
For any [22] Gods to haue but him,
nor hew'd [24] ſtone altar reare.

21 LEarne lawes [4] for ſeruants, and for them,
that doe their [17] parents ban,

For

For [12] killing, [16] ſtealing, [18] goaring, and
ſmiting or [18] hurting man.

22 MArke [1] theft forbid, no [5] damage doe,
of treſpaſſes beware;
For [14] borrowing, oxe, ſheepe or ought;
no fornicator ſpare.

NO witch [18] nor beſtiall [29] man ſhall liue,
fly all [20] Idolatry;
No [22] widow, [21] ſtranger, [22] orphan vex,
take heed of vſury.

O Keepe [26] not poore mans rayment, layd
as [27] pledge with thee, all night:
Doe reuerence [28] to Magiſtrates;
firſt fruits pay me of right.

23 PVt farre away a ſlanderous tongue
no wicked witnes beare;
Be [3] iuſt to all [4]; loue [5] charity:
the ſabbaths keepe with feare.

QVietly [14] theſe three feaſts obſerue,
let land the [11] ſeuenth yeare reſt;
See what to doe [18] with blood, and fat,
all Idolls [13] names deteſt.

REpay firſt fruits [19] vnto thy God:
an Angell [23] will I ſend,
Whom if thou ſerue, he will thee [25] bleſſe,
and from all [22] foes defend.

SEe that thou bow not to falſe [24] Gods,
nor imitate their wayes:
Feare God, and ſickneſſe hee'l [25] remoue
and will prolong thy dayes.

24 TO th Mount goe ſeuenty Elders call'd,
Moſes alone [2] drawes neare;
He ſprinkles Altars [6] with the blood:
Gods glory doth appeare.

Vnto

VNto the Lord (they [3] say) theyle yeeld,
they see most glorious [11] sights
Moses ascends the [15] mount, and stayes
full forty dayes and nights.

25 AN offering [2] bring for tabernacle;
make arke with [11] gold o'relayd;
[13] Candlesticks, [23] table, [18] Cherubins,
and all as God hath [4] said.

26 BOards [15], sockets [19], bars [26], & curtaines
eleuen [7] of the goats haire; (make
Ramskins [14], doore hangings [36] also make;
a vaile for th'Arke [31] prepare.

27 COurt, hangings [9], pillars, [17] Altars, marke
with vessels [3] all of [25] brasse,
Pure oyle for lamps, and [20] lasting lights,
make all as patterne was.

28 DEcke Aaron [35] with breastplate & [31] robe
plates for his miter [36] make;
Vrim [30] Thummim, vestures [4] and [9] bells,
all these for Priesthood [2] sake.

29 EAch Priest [4] wash, [5] decke, & [9] consecrate
as God here Moses tells;
At morne, and night [18] giue God a lambe;
his promise there to dwell.

30 FIrst guilded [3] Altar, then lauer
by Moses [20] must be [5] made;
The holy [22] oyle, the sweet [31] perfume;
soule [11] ransome must be paid.

31 GOd here [2] appoints Bezaleel,
he tabernacle makes;
They must not [13] worke on Sabbath day,
the tables Moses [18] takes.

32 HOt was Gods wrath for golden [7] calfe,
by Moses hee's appeas'd;

Tables

Tables are broken [19]; numbers slaine [28];
by prayer [30] people eas'd.

33 I Meane to [3] slay, goe on your [1] way,
from campe my [7] tent remoue:
The [4] people mourne, then he to them,
and Moses [17] shewes his loue.

34 K Now here the tables [1] are renew'd,
God doth proclaime [6] his name:
Moses [8] intreats his company,
he will [10] protect from shame.

L Eagues [12] with the heathen [15] make thou non:,
lest they thy soule insnare:
Destroy their [13] pictures, altars, groues,
false worships [14] all beware.

M Oses descendeth from the mount,
and hides his face with vaile;
Obserue [22] these lawes, and I thy foes
with wonders w ll [11] assaile.

35 N O man must worke on Sabbath day,
great gifts the people bring:
Bezaleel [5] makes the [30] tabernacle,
a great and glorious [35] thing.

36 O F peoples offrings [5] slay is made:
the things [24] were nam'd before,
As couering [29], curtaines [8], bars [31] are made,
with hangings for the doore.

37 P Vre gold the Arke [7] is guilded with,
the Cherubs, Mercy-seat,
The [25] altar, table [26], candlesticks [27]
are made, with oile most [25] sweet.

38 Q Vickly are altar [1], lauer [8], court [9],
all by Bezaleel wrought.
The summe of siluer, gold and brasse,
which Isr'els [24] people brought.

39 Rose

39 RObe [22], Ephod [2], breſtplate [8], Miter [27],
with garments more & leſſe, (plate [39]
The girdle [29], all theſe Moſes ſees;
approues [37], and all doth [43] bleſſe.

40 SEt vp [3] anoynted [9] tabernacle,
Moſes his [16] care and praiſe,
Gods glory [35] ſeene, his will [36] perform'd,
cloud guides them on their wayes.

LEVITICVS.

Chapt. *An. Mundi.*

1 ALl [1] ſpotleſſe males out of thy [2] herd,
and flocks muſt [10] offred be;
And [14] foules, for thy burnt [15] offerings:
their dreſſing manner [3] ſee.

BVt thou muſt offer willingly,
thy hand [4] on head muſt ſtay:
The Prieſt muſt [5] kill, and ſprinkle blood,
and it [8] on altar lay.

2 COncerning the [1] meat-offering,
made of the fineſt flowre:
But frankincenſe [2] thereon thou muſt,
and oyle vpon it powre.

Doe

DOe this [4] (if in an [5] ouen or plate,
thine offering bak'd shall be,
Or [7] fried in pan) [4] no leuen [11] thou,
nor hony there shalt see.

EAres of greene corne, well dried [14] thou must
for thine oblation bring
For thy first fruits, and offer salt
in euery [13] offring.

3 FOr a peace offring [2] sacrifice,
of male or female kind,
Out of the herd; see that no spot,
nor blemish I doe find.

GOd bids here kill, and lay [15] on hands;
kidneyes ye shall [15] not eate,
But [16] burne; [13] besprinkle the altar,
learne what must serue for meat.

4 HEre he that thorough ignorance
(Prince, Priest, or [13] people) shall
The Law of God transgresse and sinne,
let them for mercy call.

IN such a case [14] must bullocks blood,
or goats or kids be shed,
For that same sinne and (as before)
to God be offered.

5 KNow thou that dost thy knowledge hide,
in touching vncleane things,
Or sinn'st in making of an oath,
learne thy trespasse offrings.

LAmbe [6], kidd, [7] foules, [1] flower: in sacriledge
like offerings are due,
A lambe is slaine for [17] ignorance
of things they neuer [18] knew.

6 MArke here the trespasse offering,
for sinnes done wittingly,

The Law of the burnt offring learne;
where fire must neuer dye.

NOw learne the law of meat offrings;
and of Priests [29] consecration,
Learne what the Priests must doe when they
for sinne doe [34] make oblation.

7 OF tresp asse offering [1] learne the lawes,
and of [11] peace offring see,
Whether it be a thanksgiuing,
a vow or [16] gifts most free.

PRiests portion in the peace [29] offerings,
is shoulder, and [31] the brest,
No man must eate the fat [16] nor blood,
but they may eate the rest.

8 QVickly take Aaron and his [2] sonnes,
and thus them consecrate;
Then Moses [6] washeth, [7] clothes, [10] annoynts,
them for that priestly state.

READ here what [14] their sinne offring is,
and burnt [18] offrings likewise;
The ramme [22] of consecration:
the place, the time, the guise?

9 SEe the first offrings [8] Aaron made,
for him and people [15] all,
Which Moses taught him, after that
the Lord to him did call.

THe [8] sinne and the burnt [12] offerings,
which he and people gaue,
Are here set downe, they pray that God
would all his people saue.

VNt' all the people then the [23] Lord
appear'd most graciously:
Fire came from him vpon [24] th' Altar,
the people shout and cry.

10 As

10 AS Aarons [1] sonnes strange fire did bring,
So [2] fire them both doth burne,
The Priests are here forbidden wine,
and Aaron must not mourne.
BEside the Altar must the [12] priests
eate offrings made by fire,
Aarons [16] excuse for breach thereof
Contents [20] Moses desire.

11 COme learne what [1] beasts, what [9] fish, and [13] fowles,
God doth appoint [1] for meate,
Vncleane, and creeping [29] things touch not,
be holy [44], doe not eate.
12 DEliuered wife must in her time,
bring Lambe for sacrifice;
Or [8] Turtles two, and on th'eight [3] day
the childe must circumcise.
13 ESpie out Leprosie in [3] haire,
in skin, flesh, bile, [18] or cloath;
Put [13] such apart, them purge with fire,
with [54] water, or with both.
14 FOr clensing of a Leper learne,
to [7] anoynt, or to [35] decery
And how to purge a [48] house that is
infect with Leprosie.
15 GOd [2] here declares how men to [13] clense
and [19] women eke likewise,
For [28] vncleane issues what to [14] giue
to [15] God for sacrifice.
16 HEre learne how high [1] priests enter must
into the holy place:
What for [11] himselfe he offer should
and people in [15] like case.
INto the [20] desert with their sinnes,
the scape [21] goat must be sent.

Atone

Atonement [10] made, their [19] yearely faſt,
by Gods commandement.

17 KIll nothing in, nor out of [3] campe,
to'th [4] doore thy offrings bring:
Blood (where is life) ſee thou [10] eate not,
nor any torne dead thing.
LEt no man ſacrifice to Deuills,
but [7] to the Lord alone:
Who breaketh any of theſe [14] lawes,
muſt be cut off each one.

18 MAke no vnlawfull mariages,
inceſtuous luſts [2] abhorre,
To Moloch offer [21] not; for theſe
the land was plagued for.
NO [22] buggerer, nor beaſtly man,
let liue in land with [23] thee,
Their wicked [25] cuſtomes follow not,
then bleſſed ſhalt thou be.

19 OBey thy [1] God, yeeld filiall [3] feare,
keepe [5] Sabbaths: Neighbours [18] loue;
Adultery [20], witchcraft, lying, [11] theft,
far from thy ſoule remoue.
PVt farre away reuenge [18] and hate,
let not thy [19] brother ſinne,
No ſtranger vexe, be righteous [16],
and ſo Gods fauour winne.

20 QVite cut off [2] Moloch-mungers all,
with all the [15] beaſtly rout;
No Parent-curſers [9]: be thou pure [16],
leſt [22] land doth ſpue thee out.
REgard [6] no wizards, leſt thou dye:
thy ſelfe doe [7] ſanctifie:
All inceſt [14], and [17] vncleannеſſe [19] ſhunne,
the Countrey [23] manners flye.

21 SEe how the Priests must [14] Virgins wed,
his estimation [8] saue:
His whorish [9] daughter must be burnt,
he must [16] no blemish haue.

THe Priests [1] must mourne, but [2] for his kinne,
they needs [6] must holy be;
No blind, lame [8], crooked, drawfe [10], as Priests
shall offer [21] gifts to me.

22 VNcleannesse is foure [4] wayes [5] procur'd,
vncleane Priests [7] must refraine
From holy things, vntill that [6] they
be washt and clens'd againe.

ALL strangers, seruants [10], sojourners,
in Priests house must not eate,
The age of [16] Sacrifices learne,
which [19] must be that dayes meat.

23 BEhold the [1] feasts which God commands,
that Moses [2] should proclaime:
The [3] Sabbath, feast of [15] Pentecost,
for honour of Gods name.

COmming into your [9] fruitfull land,
when you your field shall reape
A solemne feast of your first fruits
you solemnly shall keepe.

DAyes [6] seuen eate all vnleauened bread,
leaue [22] gleanings for the poore;
Tabernacles [35], and [25] trumpets, feasts;
come fast the Lord before.

24 EVening and morne the high Priests must
dispose the oyle for light,
And the [5] Shew-bread, blasphemers [23] must
be ston'd in all mens sight.

FOr killing man, man must be kill'd,
beast killer makes [18] it good:

Bread

Breach for a breach, a tooth for tooth,
God will haue blood for blood.

25 GOd bids that fields the [4] seuenth yeare rest
and [39] bondmen [41] all be free;
In fiftieth yeare how houses, [8] men,
and lands [10] restor'd must be.

HEre fruit [19] the land shall largely giue [20],
ye shall in safety [21] dwell;
If these my statutes ye obserue [8],
and keepe my iudgements well.

IF brother, stranger, soiourner,
be poore [35] and in decay,
Releiue them; vsury and [36] increase,
let no such poore man pay.

36 KNow, keepe, & doe these Gods commands,
and then thou [4] shalt be blest:
Despise his [21] lawes, and looke for plagues,
the [22] Lord will thee detest.

LEt grauen pictures none be made,
in land no pillar reare,
If thou [2] religious: who repents,
the Lord will him forbeare.

27 MEn making certaine [3] vowes to God,
those persons be the Lords:
Marke here what estimation
God to the Priest affords.

NOthing [28] deuoted, sold shall be,
no man, beast, house, or fields;
By tithes pay truly to the [32] Lord,
of all the Country yeelds.

NVMBERS.

Chapt. *An. Mund.*

1 ALl fit for warre by Moſes here,
and 5 Princes numbred be,
Euen tribe 5 by tribe, yet Leuites are
exempted and ſet free.

2 By their owne ſtandards 2 orderly
they campe and pitch their tents,
Each tribe his captaine 3 hath, Leuites 33
with tabernacle went.

3 CHarge here of holy things is giuen,
to Cohath and Gerſon 21,
To 33 Merari, for the firſt borne,
is 40 Leuies tribe alone.

DEliuered is the ouerplus,
of money to Aaron,
Which Moſes had of th'Iſra'lites,
redeeming their firſt borne.

4 Ele'zers charge 16 to Leuites 3 care
(their age and time reſpected)
Commit the cariage of the tent,
by 17 Prieſt they are directed.

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5 FRom out of campe [2] exclude vncleane:
confesse, [5] the wrong, restore,
Gifts are the Priests: suspected wife
is tryed the Lord before.

6 GIue ye no wine to Nazarites [3],
let them not shaue [5] their head
All dayes of separation,
nor must they [6] mourne for dead.

HEre is the forme, the Priests must vse
Gods people for to blesse.
God thee preserue, still on thee shine,
his [16] *Gratious loue expresse.*

7 IN ample sort [1] the Princes [2] giue,
to those two [10] dedications:
From mercy seat God of his [85] will
to Moses makes relation.

8 KNow how the lights must lighted bee,
the Leuites consecrated,
How long to serue, and when to cease
by Moses is related.

9 LEt Passeouer be kept first [5] month,
and second by [11] some men:
A cloud of fire directs and [15] guides
the Arke whither and when.

MOnth, day and [3] houre appointed here,
with all the holy rites
And ceremonies of the [3] same
wherein the Lord delights.

10 NOw th'vse of siluer [1] trumpets learne,
to Paran they [11] remoue:
The order of their [14] marching marke,
Hobab sees [29] Moses loue.

OBserue when arke remoues or rests,
Moses on God doth call,

To turne to Israel, [36] and to quell,
and scatter [35] enemies all.

11 PRayer of Moses quencheth fire,
for flesh they [4] weepe and cry,
Manna is loathed, Moses eas'd,
with quailes in [9] mouth they die.

12 QVarrelling [2] with their brother [3] meeke,
the Lord doth testifie
His [7] loue to Moses: Miriam strikes
with [10] loathsome Leprosie.

READ how at [13] Moses prayer she
is healed [14] of her paine:
Seuen dayes shee's shut [15] out of the hoast,
and then receiu'd againe.

13 SEarchers [3] are sent: commend the [27] land
huge grapes [23] from Eshcol bring,
Some [33] fright [32] with Giants [28], Caleb bids
go on [30], feare no such thing.

14 THe people [2] murmure at the newes:
but Iosshua [6] cheeres them still,
And [6] Caleb; God doth threaten all
the rebels [11] for to kill.

VNto the Lord then [13] Moses [19] prayes,
obraineth at Gods hand
A pardon: but the [26] murmurers
must not come in the land.

A Plague destroyes [36] the slanderers:
them also God doth [42] kill,
That [44] would inuade the holy land
without [45] his holy will.

15 BRing ye [3] these offrings to the Lord,
let strangers [13] doe likewise [14];
For ignorance [27], and error [22] kill
the goat for sacrifice.

CVt off presumptuous [30] sinners all,
the * sabbath-breaker [32] note * 2465
Who must [35] be ston'd: God bids them all
make fringes on their coat.

16 DAthan, * Korah and [2] Abiram * 2467
gainst Moses doe [3] conspire:
The earth [34] doth swallow some vp quicke:
seme [35] are consum'd with fire.

ELeazer to holy vse
their [36] brasen censers keepe;
Fourteene thousand and seuen hundred
a plague [49] away doth sweepe.

FOrthwith then Aaron [46] incense sweet,
and fire from th'altar takes,
He stands betweene [47] the sicke and whole,
[48] and so the pest'lence slakes.

17 GOd bids that Princes of each [2] tribe,
should rods to Moses giue,
Whose rod God chuseth * (Aarons rod) * 2470.
doth blossome, grow and liue.

HIs rod is left for [10] monument,
did buds and [8] almonds beare:
The rebells [10] murmuring shall cease;
the [12] people quake for [13] feare.

18 INiquitie of Priesthood here,
and sanctuary is layd
On Aaron, and his sonnes; to him
by Leuites [29] tithes are paid.

KNow [1] that the portion of the Priests,
and eke the Leuites [2] charge;
Their office [21], and their offerings
are here set downe at large.

19 LEt red [2] cowes blood be [4] sprinckled,
which [5] burnt, her [5] ashes take,

And let the clenſed [19] man thereof
a clenſing [20] water make.

20 MVch murmuring they [2] water want,
at Kadeſh * Miriam dies: * 2490
Moſes deſires paſſage [14] here,
but Edom flat denies [18].

NOw Aaron to his ſonne reſignes,
he dies, [28] his race is runne:
Then all the houſe of Iſrael,
full thirty [29] dayes doe mourne.

21 OG, and Sihon are vanquiſhed [21],
at Hormah [3] they deſtroy
King Arad; not without [3] ſome loſſe:
the ſerpents ſore annoy.

PLaguing them for their [4] murmuring,
yet when [7] they did repent:
They all are [8] healed by looking
on the brazen [9] ſerpent.

22 QVickly for Balam Balack ſent,
he firſt [13] denyes, but went,
The Aſſe doth ſaue that [23] coniurer;
hee'l ſpeake [18] the Lords intent.

23 READ what God puts in [5] Balam's mouth,
twice [9] he is [22] bid to bleſſe [21],
God he repents not as a [19] man,
new altars [29] he doth dreſſe.

SEe Balam's wiſh, to dye the [10] death
that righteous men doe dye,
In Iacob God beholds [21] no ſinne,
hee's truth and cannot [19] lye.

24 THen (coniuring left) Gods [5] gratious gifts
to [6] Iſr'el he doth [9] tell:
Balack is angry [10] bids him packe,
their ſtar [17] ſhall kingdomes quell.

25 Vile

25 VIle whoredomes & falſe [2] worſhips mark
hang heads againſt [4] the ſunne:
Here [6] Phineas for his zeale is [10] bleſt,
and Midian [16] ouer-runne.

26 ALl count from twenty [3] yeares vpward,
(ſaue two) all th'old are dead:
Let thoſe diuide the land by lot
as God of old decreed.

27 BY Gods law [7] daughters lands enioy:
old Moſes [13] now muſt dye:
He for a good [16] ſucceſſor praies,
and Ioſhua [18] muſt ſupply.

28 COme offer [3] euery day two lambs
on ſabbath moe [9]: new [12] moone,
At Paſſeouer [14] and at the firſt fruits [16],
learne here what muſt be done.

29 DVly your feaſt of trumpets keepe,
and feaſts of holy faſt:
The feaſt of tabernacles eke
which [13] eight whole dayes muſt laſt.

30 EXhort and charge men [2] keepe their vowes,
their [9] vowes let widowes pay;
Let [5] maids and wiues performe the ſame,
If rulers [4] ſay not nay.

31 FIerce Midian [7] ſpoil'd, baſe Balam [8] ſlaine,
they clenſe polluted things:
The prey is giuen vnto [15] the men,
who bring large offerings.

GOod Moſes is exceeding [13] wroth
that Captaines did not kill
Thoſe women that (by Balam [16] taught)
intic'd to breake Gods will.

32 HIre portion at [1] Gilead
the Reubenites require:

Halfe of Manasses [2] tribe the same,
and Gadites doe desire.

KIll ye the hearts of your [6] brethren,
(saith Moses) with this thing?
Shall they goe fight, and you sit here?
is this your hartening?

LOe thus your fathers did [8] before,
and God was [10] gricued sore:
They say they will goe [17] fight with them,
then [20] Moses chid no [21] more.

33 MArke here their iourneyes forty two,
set [52] not their pictures stand;
Driue out the [53] cursed [55] Cananite,
by lot diuide the [54] land.

34 NOw learne the borders [3] of the Land,
who [16] must diuide the same;
Prince of [18] each tribe, Eleazar,
& Ioshua [17], Caleb by name.

35 OF Cities giuen to Leuies tribe,
here eight and forty see;
Their suburbs and their measure marke,
fix must for refuge be.

PVt him to death that [30] murthers man,
his life let nothing saue;
Two witnesses (one will not serue)
thou euermore [30] must haue.

QVite clense the land from [33] blood hereby,
nothing can doe this well,
But life [33] for life; defile it not
for I therein doe dwell.

36 REmoue not the [1] inheritance,
let * daughters [5] husbands take * 2491
In their owne tribe, [7] and so thereto,
their land must certaine make.

Deuteronomie.

DEVTERONOMIE.

Chapt. *An. Mundi.*

1 AGaine is Moſes ſpeech rehears'd, 2492
how God would giue the [6] land
To Abraham, and his ſeed [8] which ſhould
in number paſſe the ſand.
BEaring all your affaires [9] my ſelfe,
did much ſurpaſſe my wit:
Then officers [13] were giuen to you,
which you [14] thought wondrous fit.
COmming to Kadeſh-bernea [19],
from thence [28] twelue ſpies were ſent,
Who prais'd the [25] Land, ſome were affraid,
and brought [28] diſcouragement.
DRead not (ſaid I) God then did [34] ſweare,
that [36] onely two ſhould enter;
The reſt for [34] vnbeliefe did dye,
and who [41] did raſhly venter.
2 EDom ye might [5] not meddle with
nor Moab [9] put to ſtreſſe,
But Sihon you were [24] will'd to kill,
and then his land poſſeſſe.

Fight

Fight not with Ammon [17], for his land
to you I will not giue;
Lots children I haue giuen it to,
let them alone and liue.

3 God then did [1] giue into our hands
the King [3] of Bashan land;
The bigneſſe of this Gyants bed [11],
here maiſt thou vndeſtand.

Here I to two [12] tribes and an halfe
did all Ogs land diuide;
And pray'd [33] that I might enter in,
but that the Lord denyde.

4 Israel adde [2] not to my word,
my precepts all obey:
You ſaw falſe worſhippers deſtroy'd,
but ye [4] liue till this day.

Keepe [5] therefore thou my ſtatutes well,
and then theſe nations all
Shall count my iudgements righteous,
and thee moſt wiſe ſhall call.

Let not Mount Horeb [10] be forgot
where thou no [12] image ſaw,
But only heardſt [12] a voyce, and where,
thou [13] didſt receiue the Law.

Marke images [25], and looke for [26] death:
this teach to thine [9] and liue.
Three refuge Cities Moſes then,
did them [41] appoint and giue.

5 Now is the [2] couenant ſtabliſhed,
Law [4] giuen, and they deſire
That Moſes ſhould teach [34] them from [35] God
they feare the dreadfull fire.

O That my people would feare [29] me,
and walke in all my wayes,

Then

Then they and theirs ſhall proſper well [11],
I would prolong their dayes.

6 PLeaſe thou thy [1] God: ſerue [13] him alone [14],
be [1] mindfull of his will:
Obey my [1] lawes, teach them [7] thy ſonnes,
that they may them fulfill.

7 QVite ſhun and flee [2] all fellowſhip
with nations [3] leaſt ye dye;
Deſtroy them all [5], and holy be [6],
all Idols burne [5] and flye.

REpay with ruine will the Lord,
euen [10] to the face of thoſe
That hate him, and [10] tranſgreſſe his lawes,
he takes them for his foes.

SWeet comforts here are [9] promiſed
to them that doe his will:
They are [17] aſſur'd of victory,
the Lord their foes will kill.

8 THis God obey, he hath [15] you led,
fed, [4] cloath'd, and [7] giuen a land:
Dwell not in [14] pride, in feare [18] abide,
ſerue him at any [19] hand.

9 VAunt not, it was not for thy worth,
that God thoſe foes did quell:
They for their ſinnes were all [6] caſt out,
thou alwayes didſt rebell.

10 ATtend Gods loue [1] in that he doth
the [1] tables here reſtore,
Continues [5] Prieſthood, [6] Moſes heares,
loue, feare [13] his name therefore.

11 BE louing to the Lord thy God:
his wondrous [7] workes thou ſaw;
Let bleſſings, [13], or his curſe [16] preuaile,
ſtill ſtudy [18] in his law.

Com-

COmmandements [8] keepe, and Canaan land
(which Egypt farre doth passe)
Ye shall enioy, where raine [11] doth fall,
in Egypt [10] no raine was.

12. DEstroy all Idoll [2] monuments,
see Altars [3] ouerthrowne:
Worship [5] both where, and how he [30] bids
adde nothing of thine [32] owne.

EAte [15] thou no blood, [23] inquire not how [31]
those people seru'd their God;
Thou shalt not [31] worship thy God so [4],
for feare thou feele his rod.

13 FRiends neerest, [6] deerest of thy kinne,
if they [7] thy heart will turne,
Or [12] Citie to a false worship,
such [18] kill and City [13] burne.

14 GOds [1] children must not shaue themselues,
these [3] meats vncleane refuse:
These [33] holy feasts keepe to the Lord,
learne [33] how all tithes [34] to vse.

15 HElpe needy [2] brother with reliefe,
let [16] seruants now goe free:
If he will stay then [17] bore his eare,
let firstlings [15] holy be.

16 IN due time [1] keepe these solemne [33] feasts,
be franck when you appeare:
Choose Iudges [18] iust: but plant no groue
neare [21] God; nor pillar reare.

17 KIngs must not [16] horse, money, or wiues
increase [17] nor multiply;
But read and keepe [18] the Law of God,
and so liue [19] blessedly [20].

LEt [1] spotlesse things be giuen to God,
let [5] no Idolater liue:

In doubtfull [8] cases let the Priest,
and [9] Iudge their sentence giue.
MEn that refuse to condiscend [17]
to their iudgement shall dye;
So other will be sore affraid
to deale [18] presumptuously.
18 NOte here the [3] Priests and [6] Leuites due,
the Nations [9] fashions flye:
Christ must [15] be heard: who preacheth ought
that God bids not, must [6] dye.
19 OF Cities set apart for him
that kills against his [5] will,
Stirre no landmarkes [14], two must [15] witnesse
to [16] false the like fulfill.
20 PVt [3] hartenings in the souldiers hearts,
let such [5] and such be [8] free:
Grant peace [10] to them that peace accept,
let them thy [11] seruants be.
QVite spoile [12] and kill those cities males,
that dare thee [13] to withstand;
(Inc townes [15] remote) kill [16] Cananites,
let fruit-tres grow and [17] stand.
21 READ how to deale with man found plaine,
and [10] how with captiue maid:
Regard [15] first-borne: stone stubborne [18] child,
on [22] tree let none be staid.
22 SEe how to deale with neighbours beast;
let [5] none weare womans weed;
For [24] incest, [25] rape, [20] adultery [22];
is death by God decreed.
TAke dam and young thou [6] must not take,
make [8] house with battlement:
Make fringes [12]: of adulterers foule
marke [28] what's their punishment.

23 Vn-

23 VNcleanneſſe [5] in the campe [11] auoide,
and let no [3] baſtard venter
Into the [2] congregation
(till ſuch a time) to enter.
AFfraid who is of Maſters houſe,
ſuch one doe not oppreſſe:
Theſe ſacrifices deadly hate,
and Sodoms [17] filthineſſe.
BEware [19] of biting vſury [20],
thy vowes God [21] will require;
Nor grapes, nor coine [24] beare thou away,
eate [25] what thou doſt deſire.

24 COncerning bills of [2] diuorcement:
obſerue [3] what here is [4] ſaid:
Of pledges [6] which thou muſt not [10] take,
when hire is to be paid.
DIſcharge new maried [5] man from warre;
man [7] ſtealers all muſt dye:
Let iuſtice ſtill [16] be done [17] to all;
iudge right in [18] leproſie.

25 LEXceed not [3] forty ſtripes to giue;
to brothers [6] wife be kind:
The oxe muſt [4] not be muzzeled:
blot Am'lecke [27] out of mind.
FRom [11] ſhameleſſe and immodeſt wife,
thou muſt [13] cut off her hand,
Falſe [13] weights and meaſures God [16] abhorres,
let [19] none be in thy land.

26 GIue thy firſt [2] fruits in time to God
his loue to [5] thee declare:
Confeſſe and ſay [5] he is our [6] God,
and we his [7] people are.
HE that doth pay his [12] third yeares tithes,
muſt ſuch confeſſion [13] make:

If wee ſerue him, he [26] ſure will vs
for his owne [28] people take.

27 ISrael here commanded is,
on [1] ſtones the Law to write;
Twelue tribes diuided: ſix [13] muſt bleſſe:
and ſix the [15] curſe recited.

KIll, offer [5], eate peace offerings,
before [7] the Lord reioyce;
Build altar alwayes [5] of whole ſtones,
heare [9] and obey his voyce.

28 LOue, feare, obey the Lord [8] thy God,
and he will greatly bleſſe:
If not, he will ſuch [15] curſes ſend,
as no tongue can expreſſe.

29 MY mercies [2] great and workes ye ſaw,
fulfill then my deſire:
If any bleſſe himſelfe [18] in ſinne,
Ile plague him in mine ire.

NOw ſtand they [10] all before the Lord,
his people [13] they ſhall ſee:
All ſecret things belong [10] to God,
reuealed things to thee.

30 OBſerue [2] great mercyes promiſed
to ſuch as leaue their [3] ſinne;
The Law [11] is cleare: eternall death
for ſuch [28] as liue therein.

31 POſſeſſe yee ſhall all [3] Can'an Land,
the Lord with you [6] will goe;
Be ſtrong & Ioſhua, God will daunt
the force [17] of euery foe.

QVickly you will [28] corrupt your waies,
when I am dead and gone;
And cauſe the Lord for backſliding [30],
to plague you euery one.

32 Read

32 READ ye the [11] law, hear Iosuah [14] charged,
a song doth Moses giue:
To testifie against all [19] those,
that should vngodly liue.
SEe Moses [9] song; which shewes Gods loue [10]
to them that will doe well;
But direfull vengeance [10] to his foes,
and them that will rebell;
THeir hearts they must set [46] on these words,
which he did testifie.
God sends him vp to Nebo [48] mount,
to see the land and dye.

33 VPon his folke Gods [2] glory shines,
this doth good Moses tell
Before his death, and then [6] doth blesse
the tribes of Israel.
ALl haue their [8] seuerall blessings here,
(as God of old decreed)
He is their [27] God, and therefore they
all nations [29] farre exceed.

34 BEholding [1] Canan from the mount,
there Moses ends his dayes.
His [7] age and [6] buriall both obserue,
and his exceeding praise.
CHildren of Isr'el thirty [8] dayes,
doe mourne in dolefull case:
Then Iosuah full of heauenly skill
succeedeth in his place.

IOSHVA.

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Chapt. *An. Mundi.*

1 ARiſe [2] now Ioſhua Ile thee aide,
obſerue my lawes [8] aright:
Be valiant, ſtout, [6] couragious, 1493
and I thy foes will [5] fright.
BEhold the land I promiſed,
is yours both [3] farre and neare [4];
Euen all where euer you ſhall tread,
or ſhall in fight appeare.
COmmanded are the [10] people here,
themſelues for to prepare
To paſſe [11] floud Iordan: Rubenites
[16] confeſſe they ready are
DVely their [16] promiſe made, to keepe,
to giue their [7] brethren reſt,
Their fealty then to [18] Ioſhua,
they promiſe and proteſt.
2 EXceeding carefull [14] Rahab is
the ſpies to hide and ſaue
From cruell King [3] of Iericho,
who ſought their liues to haue.

For

FOr this [12] they make [13] a couenant,
they [14] promise life and sweare;
They hide in hills: they bring [15] good newes,
the land doth faint [16] for feare.

3 GOe after [1] th'arke. then [4] campes remoue:
and [8] priests in Iordan stay,
The waters part: [10] the riuer's dry,
with ioy [17] they passe away.

4 HEnce take twelue stones [3], for Gilgal mount;
twelue more in Iordan [9] set:
Tell sonnes [6] that this is done [7] that they
Gods [11] workes should not forget.

5 IOshua will'd to [2] circumcise,
the Kings doe [5] quake and feare:
The [18] Passeouer: no Manna [19] more:
[20] an Angell doth [21] appeare.

6 KIng, and the City [22] Iericho,
the mighty men [23] and stout
God giues to Iosh̃ua; he the walls
besiegeth [24] round about.

LEst you be curs'd, (saith [28] he) refraine
from all the cursed things;
The walles [29] fall downe: who them repaire,
a curse vpon [26] him brings.

MArke here how Rahab is [27] presem'd
with all the friends she had;
She hid the spies: now dwells with them,
and Iosh̃ua makes her glad.

7 NOte Achans sinne: how Isr'el fled;
God tells what [11] thing annoyed,
He bids them [14] search: Achan is [16] found,
He, with all [27] his destroy'd.

8 OFeare not Iosh̃ua Ai [1] is thine,
they [5] faine to flee, but [21] turne;

They

They slay them [22]all, hang [23] vp their King,
take spoyle [28], and City burne.

PReuailing thus against his foes [30],
to God he altar builds,
He writes the Law [32] vpon the stones,
thankes to Iehovah [31] yeelds.

QVite through [33] did Ioshua read the Law,
to [35] all of Israel:
Curling the bad, but [34] blessing those,
that [35] godly liu'd and well.

9 READ how 'gainst Isr'el Kings combine
who curled of the Lord,
Doe flocke together furiously
to fight with one accord.

STout Ioshua gull'd by Gibeonites [3],
when they great conquests see:
he life doth [15] promise by an oath,
their slaues [16] they all must be.

10 THen fiue Kings [5] warre 'gainst Gibeon,
but kill'd [10] with sword and haile:
The Sunne [12] stands still, those fiue [26] are hang'd,
Seuen moe are made to quaile [28].

11 VNto one King another [2] sends,
but all [8] are ouercome:
Hazar is burnt [10], that chiefe City,
they kill both all and some.

12 ALl the [16] whole land stout Ioshua [23] takes
the Gyants [22] conquered are:
Rich spoile and prey [14] the people got;
the [23] land did rest from warre.

BEhold [1] here thirty Kings and three [24],
by Isra lites were slaine,
Their land on both sides Iordan did
to Abrahams seed remaine.

13 Come

13 COme marke the [1] limits of those lands,
not conquered on that side,
The same to [8] nine tribes and an halfe,
by lot thou shalt diuide.
Diuided was th' inheritance [15]
to Rubens tribe and Gad [22]:
The Lord [14] was Leuies portion,
he no [23] inheritance had.
EAstward [31] to halfe [29] Manasseh's tribe,
in land [32] of Moabs plaine,
Did Moses giue [29] these portions,
there false Balaam was slaine.
14 FOr wholly following the [7] Lord,
to * Caleb Hebron [8] fell * 1500
By lot, the nine tribes and [2] an halfe,
had land wherein to dwell.
15 GReat [7] lands & large hath Iudahs tribe [21],
here [15] Othiniel hath to wite
Good Calebs [17] daughter; Iebusites
in Salem are too [63] rife.
16 HEre of the [1] sonnes of chast Ioseph
the bounds and [2] borders read:
The bounds of Ephraim [5]: Cananites
are [10] yet not conquered.
17 IOseph his [1] sonnes and his [2] sons sonnes,
their [14] portion being scant,
Are bid possesse the [18] woods and hills,
driue out th inhabitant.
18 KNow that at Shilo th'arke is plac'd,
three sens [3] more land to see: 2510
The [11] townes allotted Beniamin,
iust six and [28] twenty be.
19 LOe [1] Simeon, [17] Zebul, Issachar [17],
with [32] Nephtal, Asher [34], Dan [40],

Receiue

Receiue their land : a part is giuen
to captaine Ioshua than.

20 MEn [1] killing vnawares, for such
sixe refuge Cities [2] make :
At high Priest death, to his owne house
he may himselfe betake.

21 NOw eight and [4] forty Cities here
the Leuites [3] doe possesse,
With suburbs for their Cattle : then [5]
the land hath promis'd rest.

22 OF Reubenites [2] blest, and dismist
they [5] then an Altar make,
For [11] witnesse, (not for sacrifice)
which answer Princes take.

23 POsseſſe ye shall this [5] promist land,
your foes God will expell :
If that you cleaue vnto his [8] lawes,
and liue godly and well.

QVietnesse and [5] prosperitie,
the Lord will euer send :
One man shall chase [10] a thousand foes,
God will you [5] still defend.

REfuse [13] commerce with heathens all,
and names of Idols hate :
Or not, the Lord [13] will cut you off,
and quite destroy your state.

24 SVch and so great [3] from Terah's time,
God's fauors [3] euer were,
That neuer people had like cause,
his glorious [13] name to feare.
Then serue him in [14] sincerities,
(saith Ioshua) euery [15] one,
Both I and mine will serue him still,
when sets he [20] vp a stone.

Vnder

VNder an oake, as a witnesse,
(lest they [27] should God deny)
At hundred and ten yeares of age,
good Iosh̃ua then doth dye.

ALl Iosh̃ua's and elders dayes,
they liue in godly wise.
Here Ioseph's bones [28] are buried,
and Eleazer dyes.

IVDGES.

Chapt. *An. Mundi*

1 ACts of [1] Iudah and Simeon: 2511
Adonibezeks [2] due:
Salem is [8] taken, and Hebron [10];
they both are made to rue.

BEcause Othiniel tooke [13] Debir,
he Achsah hath to wife,
The Kenites dwell in [16] Iudah land:
marke warres, and bloody strife.

COnquer'd and kill'd are Cananites [17],
curst Hormah, Askelon [18],
Gaza [18], with all the coasts thereof,
and wicked Ekron [18] Towne.

Drive

DRiuen out of Hebron [20] Anakis,
the acts of [21] Beniamin;
Of Iosephs [22] house; of Zebulon [30],
of [33] Nephtal, [31] Asher, [34] Dan.

EVen by an Angell at Boehin [1],
the Isra'lites are checkt,
Because they did the voyce [2] of God
rebelliously neglect.

FVll well in [7] dayes of Ioshua,
the people seru'd the Lord:
But afterwards [11] his holy lawes,
they [13] vtterly abhorr'd.

GOds anger marke for [14] this their sinne,
and after [16] marke his pity:
Canaanites [20] are for tryall left
in euery towne and citie.

HEare marke Countries [1] which were left
the Isra'lites to try;
Who by their fellowship [6] with them,
commit Idolatry.

IN their distresse, from Cushans [8] rage,
good * Othniel sets them free, *2530
From Eglon after eighteen [12] yeares
by * Ehud sau'd they be. *2550

KNow after this that * Shamgar [31] slew 2580
six hundred Philistines
With an oxe goad: so they were freed
from foes at sundry times.

LEwdly [1] againe did Isr'el deale,
Iabin [2] molests againe:
Deborah, and Barak [4] sets them free, *2630
by Iael Sisera's [18] slaine.

MElodious praise [2] good Debora
doth sing vnto the Lord:

Meros for not assisting them,
is [23] curſed and abhorr'd.

6 NOw Iſralites, by Midian [1],
for ſinne are ſore oppreſt;
A Prophet [8] checks them: Gideon ſent
for to [11] procure their reſt.

OBſerue how Gideons preſent [19],
with fire (in wondrous wiſe)
Is quite conſum'd, and how that he
doth after [24] ſacrifice.

PLeaders for Baal [31] Ioaſh checks,
hee's call'd Ierubbaal [32];
His ſignes [34] obſerue, his armies great,
whereby to vanquiſh all.

7 QVickly the moſt * are ſent [3] away;
three [6] hundred he doth take:
He is encourag'd by a [9] dreame,
told of the barley cake.

READ here of trumpers, pitchers [16], lamps,
a ſtratagem moſt rare,
By Ephramites [24], Zeb, and Oreb,
(great Princes) conquered are.

8 SVccoth [7] and [8] Penuel both refuſe
good Gideon [5] to relieue:
He pacifieth [1] Ephramites:
thoſe townes doth ſpoile [17] and grieue.

TWo Kings [10] are taken: Gideon doth
reuenge [19] his brethrens death,
On Zeba, and Zalmanna both,
with [21] ſword he ſtopt their breath.

VNwilling is he to beare [22] rule,
has threeſcore [30] ſonnes and ſeuen.
His Ephod [24] cauſing falſe worſhips,
his [33] death: vnthankfull men.

6 Abim-

9 ABimelech [1] with Shechemites
doth trecherously conspire:
His [2] brethren kills; the [3] kingdome gets,
which he did much desire.

BVt Iotham sau'd by parable
doth sharply [7] checke them all;
And truly doth [8] [9] foretell and shew,
their vtter [16] fmall fall.

CONspiring Gaal with Shechemites [11]
Zebul [12] reueales their fault,
Abimelech doth vanquish them,
and sowes the towne with salt.

DEstroyd by him with fire then is [14],
their false God Berith's hold:
At [9] Thebez [15] slaine; that curse befell *2710
which Iotham had foretold.

10 ENding his reigne [1] thus, with his life,
Tola rules Israel:
Then [4] Iair rul'd, whose thirty [5] sonnes *2717
in thirty Cities dwell.

FIerce Philistines, and [6] Ammonites
did Israel then oppresse,
God sends them to their [10] fained gods
to helpe [9] them in distresse. *2737

GRieu'd was his soule for Isr'el then [10]
when he saw them repent,
Iephthah [11] then
is for their succour sent.

11 HE couenants [9] with the Gileadites,
his treat' of peace [12] is vaine
th Ammonites, who after [13] are
[14] vanquished and slaine. *2758
[15] who did make [16] a vow to God,
which after his great slaughter,

D 2 He

He did with griefe of heart p:rforme
vpon his onely daughter.

12 KIll'd are the brawling Ephramites,
who did with [2] Iepeha chide.
They are discern'd [1] by [*] Shiboleth, * 2764
soone after [2] Iepeha dyde

LOrdly Ibsan then doth succeed [3],
what children him befell:
Then Elon [4], and then Ammon [5] rule,
and iudge all Israel.

13 MVch euill againe did Israel
euen [1] in Gods sight commit,
And forty yeares by Philistines,
they were sore plagu'd for it.

NOw to the wife of Manoah,
an Angell [2] doth appeare,
Then to her husband, telling [3] them, 5
that she a sonne should beare.

OBserue here Manoahs sacrifice,
he feares [22] as one forelorne;
But is much [23] cheared by his wife,
strong Sampson [24] here is borne.

14 PHilistins [1] daughter Sampson [2] craues
as wife to please his mind:
In iourneying [6] he a Lyon slew, 2790
in carkasse [8] hony findes.

QVickly then [10] Sampson marieth,
a mariage feast he makes,
His [12] riddle told, from thirtie foes
both life and goods [19] he takes.

15 RIfusing then to [1] giue his wife,
for this [2] wrong at their hands,
He burneth [4] the Philistines corne,
with [5] foxes and fire-brands.

Sampson

SAmpſons wife, and her [4] father both,
Philiſtines burne with fire;
And Sampſon [5] ſmote them hip and thigh,
hee's bound [6] at their deſire.

THen he with lawbone [7] of an aſſe,
a thouſand kills therefore,
In Lehi God makes for him [8] then 2802
a [9] priny, call'd ENHAKKORE.

16 VNto the Citie [10] Gaza thence,
did mighty Sampſon goe:
The City gates he bare [11] away,
and ſo eſcap'd his foe.

AN harlot Dalilah at laſt,
ſtrong Sampſon doth entice,
To tell her where [12] his ſtrength did lie,
but he deceiu'd her thrice.

BVt at the laſt hee's [13] ouercome,
and they put out his [14] eyes:
He pulls the houſe [15] vpon their heads,
and with [16] three thouſand dyes.

17 COine craftily [1] from mother ſtolne,
* Micah doth here reſtore; *2809
Two Images thereof ſhe [3] makes
which he and ſhe adore.

DEuiſing [5] ornaments for them,
true worſhip's [5] quite decaid:
A Prieſt he [5] gets; a Leuite [10] hires,
to whom he wages paied.

18 ENquiring out [1] inheritance,
the Danites ſend [2] fiue men;
At Micha's * houſe with [3] Ionathan *2831
theſe fiue conſulted then.

FVll well they hartned by him are
in iourney [6] which they take;

To Danites of good hopefull [7] newes
they then relation make.
GReat Laish (which they searcht before)
six hundred [11] men surprise,
Of Priest and gods [14] they Micha [17] rob,
for which he [23] mournes and cries.
HEe cries in vaine [25], is threatened,
lost Laish called [27] Dan:
They set vp [30] Idols, the Priesthood
is giuen to Ionathan.
19 IN Israel there was no [1] King
their sinnes for to restraine;
A Leuites wife abus'd [22] to death
is cause of great disdaine.
KNow that at Gibeah this was [16] done,
the Leuite then intends
His wife into twelue parts to [29] cut,
which to twelue tribes he sends.
20 LOe here the Leuite [1] publikely
at Mizpah doth [4] relate
His wrong sustain'd [5]; the tribes for this
the Gibeonites [9] doe hate.
MArke how against the Israelites
the Beniamites make head.
Full forty thousand Israelites,
in two [8] battels are dead.
NOte when [26] they did all fast and pray,
by stratagem full rare,
(Except six hundred [46] Beniamites)
they all destroyed are.
21 OHow the people [2] mourne, for loss
of Ben: his tribe, and lines,
By Iabesh ruine, they prouide [12]
for them foure hundred wiues.

PErſwaded are they at [35] Shilo
the Virgines to ſurprize
Which daunced there, and ſo their [33] tribe
againe did ſpring and riſe.

RVTH.

Chapt. *An. Mundi.*

1 A Famine droue [1] Elimelech
his natiue country fro:
His wife Naomi, and his two [2] ſonnes
doe likewiſe with him goe.

BEthlehem Iuda they [1] went from,
in Moab led their liues:
The father [3] died, the ſonnes then tooke
two Moabites for wiues.

CHil'on and Mahlon were their names:
who hauing wedlocke tride;
They did not long enioy the ſame,
but ſhortly after dyed.

DAughters in Law [4] by Naomi
were wiſh'd at any hand,
That they ſhould [12] not turne home with her,
but ſtay in Moab Land.

EXceeding constant [16] good * Ruth is, 266
and cleaues with all her heart
To Naomi, Orpha [14] forsakes,
and did from them depart.
FVll gladly are they both [19] receiu'd,
when they to Bethlem came.
The Bethlemites reioyc'd in [20] her,
she was of such good fame.

2 GRacious Ruth gleanes barly [1] store,
in * Boaz barley fields, *267
He taketh knowledge [4] of her then,
and grace and fauour yeelds.
HE bad her gleane [8] with his maidens,
and at meale times to [14] eate:
She caried store of barly [18] home,
for hers and mothers meat.

3 INstructed first by Naomi,
she lies at Boaz feet,
Her kinsman he doth say he is,
and doth her well intreat.
KIndly six measures of barley,
he gaue to her that day;
She brought it home to Naomi,
and told what he did say.

4 LOe Boaz then next kinsman calls,
into the iudgement place,
To him before the Elders graue,
he doth relate the case.
MAking an offer [3] vnto him,
which he [6] doth flat refuse,
He [9] buyes the land, takes Ruth to [11] wife,
and kindly doth her vse.
NOte that of her [13] was Obed borne,
Ieſſe his father deare:

Who to King Dauid father [17] was,
read Phares of-spring here.

I SAMVEL.

Chapt. *An. Mundi.*

1 AT Shilo yearly, Elkana
(a Leuite) worshipped;
* Hanna his wife (though † barren) yet, * 2810
he chiefly cherished.
BY Peninna [6] she is prouok'd,
and for [9] a child doth pray;
Ely at first [14] reproues her sore,
but sends her [17] blest away.
CONceiu'd and borne [20] is Samuel,
to stay [22] she doth accord;
Till he be wean'd, and then she doth * 2820
present him to the Lord.
2 DOwne to the [6] graue; and backe againe,
God brings, (thus Hanna sings)
Marke here the [12] sinnes of Elies sonnes * 2830
which death vpon them brings.
ELkan' and Hanna [21] both are blest.
Child [18] Samuel serues the Lord.

Ely reproues his sonnes [22] of sinnes,
which God and man abhord.
FEaring not God nor fathers checkes,
in sinne they liued [25] still:
Therefore the [25] Lord both sons and [32] sire
doth threaten [32] for to kill.

3 GOd thrice [3] call'd Samuel laid to sleepe
he heares the [11] wofull fall
Of Elies house: then he (though [15] loath)
to Ely tells it [18] all.
HOw God appear'd to [21] Samuel,
how he in credit [19] grew,
And was his holy Prophet [20] made,
all Isr'els people knew.

4 ISra'lites by the Philistins
are first foule [2] thousand slaine,
They fetch the Arke into the campe,
then cry and shout amaine.
KIll'd then were thirty thousand [10] moe
Philistins [11] take the Arke.
Hophni and Phineas [17] both are slaine,
here Elies [18] judgements marke.
LOe Phineas [19] wife in trauell falls,
and comfort could finde [20] none:
Her sonne she [21] nameth Ichabod
the glory of God [22] was gone.

5 MArke Asdod is with [6] Emrods smit,
their Dagon [3] falleth downe
Before the Arke; Gath's [8] plagued and
Eckron that wicked [10] towne.

6 NOw feare doth force [7] them cart the Arke,
with gifts it's sent [8] away:
For looking in [19] it God doth [19] moe
then fifty thousand slay.

7 OF th' Arke brought to [1] Abinadab:
his ſonne is ſanctifide,
Put for to keepe it: [2] twenty yeares
the ſame doth there abide.
PRepare your hearts, [3] ſerue God alone,
falſe worſhips put away:
(Saith Samuel to th' Iſra'lites)
they his commands [4] obey.
QVite were the Philiſtins ſubdude
when Iſr'el did repent:
For after Samuels [5] ſacrifice
Iehouah [6] ſuccour ſent.
REſtor'd are Iſr'els [7] Cities then,
all things doe proſper [8] well,
And * Samuel [9] religiouſly *2850.
doth rule all Iſrael.
8 SEe Samuels ſonnes bad [1] gouernment 2875
the people aske a [2] King.
He ſhewes his [3] manners: God's caſt [4] off:
God [5] yeelds, but hates the [6] thing.
9 THen ſeeking Fathers * Aſſes [1] our, *2880
Saul comes to [2] Samuel,
He feaſts [3] him, counts [4] him chiefeſt gueſt,
doth certaine ſecrets [5] tell.
10 VIall of oyle is pour'd [1] on's head,
three [2] ſignes [3] to him [4] reueal'd,
By them confirm'd, his heart is [5] chang'd,
from's vncle thing's [6] conceal'd.
AMong the Prophets he is [7] one:
at Mizpah choſe by [8] lot:
His ſubiects are of diuers [9] minds,
for ſome reſpect him not.
11 BArbarian like fierce [1] Naash would
thruſt out all the right [2] eyes

Of

Of men of Iabesh Gilead,
which caused [4] teares and cryes.
COmming to Saul [4] to certifie,
he kills the foes [11] out right,
Great ioy at this [12] his kingdome is,
renewed [14] in all their sight.
12 DEclare (saith Samuel) [2] whom I wrong'd
they all his life doe [3] cleare;
He checked their [4] ingratitude,
and frighteth them with [16] feare.
EVen in wheat harueſt [17] God shall send
great thunder, and great raine:
For asking King, refusing him [18],
hee'l make you all complaine.
FEaring the Lord, and Samuel [1],
they doe their sinnes [2] confesse.
He comforts them [20] in Gods mercies,
bids them their wayes [24] redresse.
13 GReat number [3] of Philistins smite,
they muster a mighty [5] hoast:
The men [6] of Isr'el feare and fly,
and some [7] forsake that coast.
HEre Saul will offer [8] sacrifice,
and's checkt of [11] Samuel;
Three spoiling bands [17] of Philistins,
no Smith in Israel [19].
14 IN wondrous [13] sort stout Ionathan [1],
the Philistines defeats [15],
A diuine terror makes them [16] quake,
and one another beates.
KIng Saul assaults [20], the Priests answer [18]
for haſt, he would not stay:
The captiue [27] Hebrewes: people hid,
all [23] ioyne with him that day.

Lord

LEwd Sauls rath adiuration [24],
hinders the victory:
He doth restraine [32] from eating ought,
here Ionathan [44] must dye.
MAny there are that rescue him [45],
and say he shall not dye:
So Saul surceaseth [46], marke [47] his might,
and all his family.

15 NOw [3] goe destroy th'Amalekites,
he fauours [6] Kenies kinne;
He spareth Agag [8], and best things,
and so God wrath doth winne.
OBedience [22] passeth sacrifice;
Saul seemeth [24] to repent:
Agag is slaine [32] by Samuel,
kingdome [28] from Saul is rent.

16 PRetend a sacrifice [2], and goe
to Bethlem (Ieſſe's Towne)
And there anoynt (whom I appoint)
his sonne to weare the Crowne.
OVr otherwise God [7] lookes then man:
Dauid's annoynted King:
Saul sends for [19] Dauid for to play,
and he great ease [23] doth bring.

17 READy [1] to fight, Goliah frights [4],
but Dauid arm'd with faith [45]:
Encounteth, and with [49] sling and stone,
the monstrous Gyant slay'th.

18 SAul [12] feareth Dauid: hates [15] his prayse;
and seekes to take [16] his life:
His sonne him loues; his daughter's giuen [17],
as snare to be his wife.
TWo hundred foreskinnes [27] he doth giue,
Sauls hatred doth not [29] cease:

But

But Dauids fame, and glorious praiſe,
doth more and more encreaſe.

19 VNto his ſonne here Saul [6] doth ſweare,
that Dauid ſhall not die,
Yet ſends [10] to kill, at Rama he,
and ſeruants [11] propheſie.

20 A Secret conſultation [1],
for Dauids ſafety [2] had,
For Dauids [3] troubles Ionathan
is [4] grieued and full ſad.

BY oath their cou'nant they renew,
and Saul would Ionathan kill:
He token giues, and farewell takes,
and loues good Dauid ſtill.

21 COmming to Nob he eates [6] ſhew-bread,
damn'd Doeg ſaw him [7] there:
He takes [8] Goliahs ſword at Gath,
he madneſſe [10] fain'd for feare.

22 DIſtreſſed men [1] to Dauid come,
for [2] parents he prouides:
Saul chides the prieſts: Abiathar
with Dauid now [3] abides.

EDomite Doeg is content [18]
Kings pleaſure to fulfill,
To kill the Prieſts [18], but Sauls [17] footmen
would not obey his will.

23 FRom Keila chaſing [1] hiſtin,
falſe Keila Dauid ſaues,
Thence [14] flies to Ziph, thence to Maon [14],
there ſau'd; to Engedi cau's [29].

24 GOod Dauid [4] cuts Sauls skirt and robe,
and faithfull there is [8] prou'd;
Saul [16] weepes and prayes, (when he is King [1])
his ſeed may be belou'd.

25 Here

25 HEre [1] Samuel dyes, and Nabal churle
to [10] Dauid food denies:
He would haue [13] kill'd him, Abigail
his anger [23] pacifies.
IN short time [28] after Nabal dyes,
he marieth Abigail;
To Phalti Saul gaue [44] Daulds wife,
his daughter nam'd Michal.

26 KIng Saul [1] pursues his sonne againe,
he [7] finds Saul fast asleepe:
Checks Abner, that he did not [13] guard
and King farrebetter keepe.
LEt wrath [18] surcease, and in thy sight,
O let my [19] life be deare [24]:
(Thus Dauid saith) and bids Saul [22] send
to fetch away his speare.
MY sonne returne (saith Saul) againe [21]
I will no more assaile:
I haue beene foolish, blest be thou [25],
for thou shalt still preuaile.

27 NO more [1] doth Saul for Dauid seek,
Ziglag [5] is beg'd o'th King;
Dauid destroying [8] other lands,
Achish thinks [12] no such thing.

28 O'[1] Achish trust in Dauid [2] put,
Saul feares to see [5] his foes:
All witches he had once destroy'd,
and yet to one [7] he goes:
Yet in great [15] feare, when he did heare
of his last [19] sad smal day,
He faints, but is adius'd to eate,
refreshed he goes away.

29 QUarrelling Princes chide the king,
for praysing Dauid so:

He

He and his men, [10] are all dismist,
to warre they must not goe.

30 REturning [1] they found Ziklag [2] burn'd,
which made [4] their hearts to rue:
Dauid consulteth [7] with the Lord,
and doth his foes pursue.

Sicke man [11] receiu'd, [12] directs them to
their foes, whom they [17] doe foyle:
The most are [17] slaine, their owne [19] are safe,
they haue rich prey [20] and spoyle.

THen Dauid sends [25] gifts to his friends,
and makes a law [22] full right;
Who keepe [23] the stuffe, haue iust as much,
as they [24] that goe to fight.

31 VExed full [1] sore, Saul lost the field,
all his three [2] sonnes are slaine:
Israelites flye; forsake their townes:
their foes therein remaine.

AS [4] Saul, so th'armor-bearer did,
they kill themselues [5] at once:
The men [12] of Iabeth burne their flesh,
and bury [13] all their bones.

II SAM-

II Samvel.

Chapt. *An. Mundi.*

1 A Man of Amaleck bringeth newes,
and ſaith he Saul [2] did kill:
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Therefore the [25] Lord both sons and [32] fire
doth threaten [32] for to kill.

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he heares the [11] wofull fall
Of Elies house: then he (though [15] loath)
to Ely tells it [18] all.
HOw God appear'd to [21] Samuel,
how he in credit [19] grew,
And was his holy Prophet [20] made,
all Isr'els people knew.

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They fetch the Arke into the campe,
then cry and shout amaine.
KIll'd then were thirty thousand [10] moe
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here Elies [18] judgements marke.
LOe Phineas [19] wife in trauell falls,
and comfort could finde [22] none:
Her sonne she [21] nameth Ichabod
the glory of God [22] was gone.

5 MArke Ashdod is with [6] Emrods smit,
their Dagon [3] falleth downe
Before the Arke; Gath's [3] plagued and
Eckron that wicked [10] towne.

6 NOw feare doth force [7] them cart the Arke,
with gifts it's sent [8] away:
For looking in [9] it God doth [19] moe
then fifty thousand slay.

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his ſonne is ſanctifide,
Put for to keepe it: [2] twenty yeares
the ſame doth there abide.
PRepare your hearts, [3] ſerue God alone,
falſe worſhips put away:
(Saith Samuel to th'Iſra'lites)
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all things doe proſper [8] well,
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three [2] ſignes [3] to him [4] reueal'd,
By them confirm'd, his heart is [5] chang'd,
from's vncle thing's [6] conceal'd.
AMong the Prophets he is [7] one:
at Mizpeh choſe by [8] lot:
His ſubiects are of diuers [9] minds,
for ſome reſpect him not.
11 BArbarian like fierce [1] Naaſh would
thruſt out all the right [2] eyes

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which caused [4] teares and cryes.
COmming to Saul [4] to certifie,
he kills the foes [11] out right;
Great ioy at this [12] his kingdome is,
renewed [14] in all their sight.

12 DEclare (saith Samuel) [2] whom I wrong'd
they all his life doe [3] cleare;
He checked their [4] ingratitude,
and frighteth them with [16] feare.
EVen in wheat harueſt [17] God shall send
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For asking King, refusing him [18],
hee'l make you all complaine.
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they muster a mighty [5] hoast:
The men [6] of Isr'el feare and fly,
and some [7] forsake that coast.
HEre Saul will offer [8] sacrifice,
and's checkt of [11] Samuel;
Three spoiling bands [17] of Philistins,
no Smith in Israel [19].

14 IN wondrous [13] sort stout Ionathan [1],
the Philistines defeats [15],
A diuine terror makes them [16] quake,
and one another beates.
KIng Saul assaults [20], the Priests answer [18]
for haſt, he would not stay:
The captiue [21] Hebrewes: people hid,
all [22] ioyne with him that day.

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LEwd Sauls rath adiuration [24],
hinders the victory:
He doth restraine [32] from eating ought,
here Ionathan [44] must dye.
MAny there are that rescue him [45],
and say he shall not dye:
So Saul surceaseth [45], marke [47] his might,
and all his family.

15 NOw [3] goe destroy th' Amalekites,
he fauours [6] Kenies kinne;
He spareth Agag [8], and best things,
and so God wrath doth winne.
OBedience [22] passeth sacrifice;
Saul seemeth [24] to repent:
Agag is slaine [32] by Samuel,
kingdome [28] from Saul is rent.

16 PRetend a sacrifice [2], and goe
to Bethlem (Ieſſe's Towne)
And there anoynt (whom I appoint)
his sonne to weare the Crowne.
OVr otherwise God [7] lookes then man:
Dauid's annoynted King:
Saul send's for [19] Dauid for to play,
and he great ease [23] doth bring.

17 READy [1] to fight, Goliah frights [4],
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Encounteth, and with [49] sling and stone,
the monstrous Gyant slay'th.

18 SAul [8] feareth Dauid: hates [9] his prayse;
and seekes to take [11] his life:
His sonne him loues; his daughter's giuen [17],
as snare to be his wife.
TWo hundred foreskinnes [27] he doth giue,
Sauls hatred doth not [29] cease:

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20 A Secret conſultation [1],
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For Dauids [3] troubles Ionathan
is [4] grieued and full ſad.

BY oath their cou'nant they renew,
and Saul would Ionathan kill:
He token giues, and farewell takes,
and loues good Dauid ſtill.

21 COmming to Nob he eates [6] ſhew-bread,
damn'd Doeg ſaw him [7] there:
He takes [8] Goliahs ſword at Gath,
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22 DIſtreſſed men [1] to Dauid come,
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Saul chides the prieſts: Abiathar
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for thou shalt still preuaile.

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Ziglag [5] is beg'd o'th King;
Dauid destroying [8] other lands,
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28 O'r [1] Achish trust in Dauid [2] put,
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All witches he had once destroy'd,
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of his last [19] dismall day,
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In fathers tombe Sauls bones [14] were laid
and bones of Ionathan.

BEhold what kindnesse [10] Rizpah shews;
foure battels fought againe;
By foure of [17] Dauids valiant [18] men,
are foure [21] stout Gyants slaine.

22 COnsidering the [1] Lords defence,
and ayde at all assayes,
King Dauid [50] vowes obedience.
and [47] soundeth forth his praise.

23 DAuid doth in these [1] his last words, 291.
his [5] Christian faith professe,
Which was beyond all humane sense,
in Gods good promises.

EAch Belial brat is [5] curst of [7] God,
good Rulers [9] euer blest:
His Worthies names, and noble [8] acts,
are liuely here expresst.

24 FOr Isr'els sinne God's sore displeas'd,
and [4] Dauid doth compell
His Captaine Ioab for to count 251.
the people of Israel.

GOds [15] plagues propounded, of the three
the [14] plague he likes to haue:
After a [15] great mortality,
his [16] Salem God will saue.

HAuing [17] repented, God [18] commands
that he an Altar make

In Ornan's floore; their offering
Iehouah's anger ſlakes.

I KINGS.

Chapt. *An. Mundi.*

1 A Biſhag comforts [4] Dauid King
when he was [1] wondrous old;
His fathers Kingdome to [5] vſurpe
then Adoniah's bold.
BY Nathans [11] counſell Bethſheba
doth put [15] the King in mind
Of former promiſe made [17] to her,
which he with oath did bind;
COncerning Solomon her ſonne,
[28] this oath he doth renew:
And bids they [33] ſhould anoint him [34] King,
they then their trumpets blew.
DAunted is [41] Adoniah then,
his gueſts [49] away doe flee
And he [51]; but if he loyall grow,
the King will [52] ſet him free.
2 EXceeding godly is [3] the charge
the father giues his [5] ſonne,

Of

Of fearing [4] God; to Barzillai [7]
what Dauid would haue done.
FOr murther Ioab [5] must be slaine:
for cursing * Shimei [8] kili'd: * 2930
Then Dauid dyes, when he his age [10]
and race had fully fill'd.
GReat is the glory Solomon hath;
Adoniah for his wife
Sues for to haue Abishag giuen,
but that sute cost his life.
HIs life Abiather obtaines,
but loseth priestly grace:
Ioab is [28] slaine; and Benaiah
is captaine [35] in his place.
IN Abiathars, is Zadock [35] put,
here Shimei brake [43] his oath,
Is slaine; for (he confin'd) to Gath
from Salem [44] citie [36] go'th.
3 KIng Pharo's Daughter [1] Solomon weds,
and offers [2] in th'high [3] place:
Preferreth [9] wisdome; is made [5] rich,
decides [16] the [27] harlots case.
4 LOe here his Princes [2] of renowne,
twelue [7] officers prouide;
Great gifts are [21] brought: great peace [24] each where
his wisdome far [34] is try'd.
MArke here his large dominions [24],
prouision for each day:
His [32] prouerbes; speech of trees, fish, foule,
his [26] stables, [28] horse and hay.
5 NOw Hiram (to congratulate)
men to the yong King sends,
He Hiram tells, to build a house
to God, he now intends.

Of

OF timber to be furnished
is [6] Solomons request:
Here Hiram [7] prayseth God for him
and [8] promiseth his best.

6 PRouiding food for [7] his seruants,
in league they doe agree:
The kings workmen and [33] labourers
full thirty thousand be.

QVite hew'd were all the temple [7] stones,
the temple farre without;
No axe nor hammer there was heard,
Chambers are built about.

REgarding his commandements [11],
God promiseth to [12] dwell
Among them in that house of his,
to bless his Israel.

SEeing and [15] all th'adorning see,
how all the house was guilt:
The [23] Cherubins, the doore, and Court,
the time [37] when it was built.

7 THe building [1] of king Solomons house,
the house [2] of Lebanon,
The [6] porch of pillars: of iudgement [7],
braue buildings euery one.

VNto his * Queene [8] an house he built, *2952
here Hirams [13] skill doth passe,
In making [15] pillars, molten [23] Sea,
ten bases [27] all of brasse.

8 ASsembled are the [1] Elders all,
Gods [2] house to [63] dedicate;
A solemne [65] feast religiously
with ioy they [65] celebrate.

BY Priests [3] and Leuites the Arke is brought,
with [4] vessels more and lesse.

The glory [11] of God doth fill the house,
and Solomon [12] twice doth [54] blesse.

COmming before [22] the Lords Altar
he hartily doth [23] pray;
He [65] sacrificeth, people all
with ioy [66] are sent away.

9 DOe what [4] I bid (saith God) and I
will stablish [5] still thy throne:
Rebell, and [6] I will cut thee [7] off,
and thine off-spring each one.

EXceeding rich [10] the presents are,
that King to King doth giue [14]:
As bondmen [21] doe the * gentiles worke *2940
but free [22] doth Israel liue.

FRom Dauids City to her house [24],
doth Pharoh's daughter get
Solomons [25] solemne sacrifice,
from Opir [8] gold is fet.

10 GReat [10] gifts doth Queen of Sheba bring,
his wisedome [7] she admires: 2957
He royally rewarded her,
and [13] granted her desires.

HIs [14] gold, and [6] targets all of gold
his Iuory throne is laid
With purest gold; his [26] chariots,
his tributes yearly [28] paid.

IN golden [21] vessels did he drinke,
his gifts and [24] presents passe:
In regall pompe he doth [25] exceed
all kings that euer was.

11 KIng Solomon in [2] his old age
is drawne t' Idolatry
By his owne wiues [4], and Concubines,
for [9] which the Lord's angry.

Lewd

LEwd Hadad (whom the Egyptian [14] King,
did grace and entertaine)
And Rezon who did runne away,
and in Damascus reigne,
MIghty Ieroboam (his man)
all these the Lord did raise,
As aduersaries to this King
in his declining dayes.
NOw doth Ahijah prophecie [20]:
read here King Solomons deeds,
His reigne [42] and death, how Roboam
then [43] reigned in his steed.

12 OVr yoake thy father grieuous [4] made
release vs (noble king)
This sute the people brought, when they
at Sechem crown'd him King.
PRoudly * Roboham doth refuse * 2978
graue mens aduise to take.
Hees rul'd by youth; their [14] yoke (he saith)
he will more greiuous make.
QVickly the ten tribes [16] then reuolt,
they [17] make Roboam flee
For feare, vnto Ierusalem,
Adoram ston'd is he.
ROboam [21] would new forces raise,
but God [24] doth that deny:
Ieroboam [25] (like to Iudah's feasts)
makes feasts, [26] the Lord to try.

13 SEe how his * hand is [4] dryed vp, * 2973
that man of God abus'd:
Yet at his prayer [6] it's restor'd,
kings kindnesse is [8] refus'd.
THe man [18] of God seduced is,
and is againe brought [19] backe,

Hee's [20] checkt of God, by Lyon slaine,
his fathers graue [22] doth lacke.
VPon his asse the old Prophet
the good mans corps doth lay;
He buries [26] him, confirmes [1] his word,
the King [33] would not obay.

14 ABijah (Ieroboam [1] child)
is sicke he sends [2] his wife
Disguis'd with gifts [3] to Abijah,
to aske about his life.
BY God the prophet is [5] forewarn'd
and doth Gods [10] plagues proclaime.
Abijah dyes, is buried [17],
great mournings for the same.
COncerning Ieroboams reigne [19],
his warres and wicked deeds;
In Chronicles thou maist th em [20] read,
Nadab his sonne succeeds.
DEaling most [22] wickedly [23] with God, * 2972
by Shishak Salem's [25] spoil'd: 2986
Roboam dies, his sonne [31] succeeds,
with sinne as much defil'd.

15 EVen [3] as the sire so doth the sonne
against the Lord [3] rebell:
But his sonne * Asa [7] after him * 2974
doth gouerne passing well.
FOrefathers [12] Idols he remou'd,
yet he a [16] league * doth make * 2987
With [17] Benhadad, that Baash [20] warre
he might auert and slake.
GOod king Iehosaphat [24] succeeds,
here [26] Nadab's like his sire;
Baash fulfills the [28] prophecie,
payes [29] him and his their [3] hire.

His

His acts are [31] writ in Chronicles,
now [32] Basha doth begin
To warre [33] with Asa all his dayes,
and Israel [34] makes to sin.

16 Ehu doth [1] prophesie the fall
of Baash [7] and his seed,
Because [7] he God prouok'd, his senne
Elah did [8] him succeed.
King Elah drunke [9], of Zimrie's kill'd,
he in his stead [10] doth raigne:
He doth Baashas house [11] destroy,
where euery one is [12] slaine.
Lewd * Zimri [8] forc'd to burne himselfe *3013
* Omri doth so assaile *3020
The kingdome's parted, Omri doth
against Tibni [22] preuaile.
Much [25] mischiefe did this Omri [26] worke,
he did Samaria found:
Ahab his sonne [27] succeedeth him
who doth in sinne [29] abound.
Now Iericho is built againe,
foundation [34] Hiel laid,
In first sonnes daies, and built the [34] gates,
all iust as Ioshua said.

17 O Ahab heare that for some yeares,
no raine on earth shall fall.
Elijah is by rauens [6] fed,
the brookes [7] are dryed all.
Poore widow then * of Zaraphah *3035
Eliah doth relieue:
He rayseth vp their sonne [17] was dead,
then she doth him beleeue,

18 Quickly thy selfe shew to the king,
(Elijah thus is sent

To Ahab) Obediah meets
him [7] in that way he went.

READ here how he good [4] Prophets fed,
to * Ahab then is brought * 3040
Eliah [9] who reproues the King
of [17] wicked things he wrought.

SEe Baals [38] Prophets first convinc'd
by fire from heauen, [40] then slaine:
Eliah by his prayers force
[41] obtaines great store * of raine. * 3041

19 THen [1] Iesabel to Eliah sends,
and saith [2] he sure shall dye:
Hee [3] flees; is by an Angell [5] cheard
in his great misery.

VNto mount Horeb [8] then he goes
from thence he sends him then
Vnto Damascus [15] wildernesse,
there to anoint [16] three men.

ANoint for Sira Hazael,
and Iehu Israels King,
Elisha also; these mens swords [17]
to death shall many bring.

BEhold Elias mantle is
vpon [19] Elisha cast:
He tooke his [20] leaue then of his friends,
and followes [21] him full fast.

20 CVrst Benhadad Samaria [1]
doth here assault againe:
By Prophets good directions [13]
the Syrians most are slaine.

DIspitefull King at [24] that yeares end
comming to fight in valleis,
Hoping [25] to conquer is subdu'd,
his hopes were [16] all but follies.

Enforce

ENforc'd the [31] Syrians doe ſubmit,
and then king Benhadad
Was with a couenant ſent away,
no hurt at all he had.
FOr this a Prophet [40] makes Ahab
himſelfe for to accuſe:
Againſt him he denounced [43] plagues
for that ſo groſſe abuſe.
21 GRieu'd is the king and ſullen [4] ſicke,
when Naboth did deny
To grant his vineyard; hee's [13] accus'd
and ſton'd for blaſphemy.
HE dead, his [15] ground king did poſſeſſe,
Eliah for this deed
Denounceth plagues [17] on him and her,
by God afore decreed.
IN ſeeming ſhew Ahab [27] repents
for this his ſin'full crime,
And thereupon the Lord deferres
his [29] iudgments for a time.
22 KIng by falſe prophets is ſeduc'd,
and (as Micaiah ſaid)
Is ſlaine at Ramoth Gilead,
in priſon Mica's laid.
LEwd Ahab hauing loſt his [37] life,
the dogs licke vp his blood;
And Ahaziah him ſucceeds [40],
whoſe reigning was not good.
MAking the word of God his guide
[41] Iehoſaphat * rules well, *3046
He turneth [43] not aſide from God,
his acts the [45] Chronicles tell.

II KINGS.

Chapt. *An. Mundi.*

1 AGainſt Iſr'el [1] Moab rebells,
[*] Ahazi ſends [2] t' enquire * 3041
Of Baalzebub: twice from heauen
Eliah cals [3] for fire.
BVrnt were two captaines which the King
ſent him to apprehend;
But ſpares [13] the third, and tells the King
his life ſhall ſhortly [16] end.
2 COmming to [1] take his laſt farewell
of good Eliſha [2] graue:
With cloke [*] Eliah [8] parts Iordan, * 3114
grants [10] what Elith' doth craue.
DOubled portion [9] of his ſpirit,
God vp Eliah [11] takes
By fiery charet into heauen [12],
great moane the Prophet makes.
ELiſha with Eliahs cloake [14]
flood Iordan doth diuide;
He for Eliahs [15] ſucceſſor
acknowledged doth bide.

For

FOr Eliah yong Prophets [16] seeke,
with toyle and labour great;
They find him not, Elisha makes
the bitter waters sweet.

GOod Prophet is by children [22] mockt,
bald head they doe him call:
For this, two Beares out of the wood
did teare and kill them all.

3 HEre Ioram [1] reignes, he casts away
the [2] Image made to Baal:
But as for Ieroboams [3] sinnes
he cleaueth to them all.

IN theſe daies Mesha [4] Moabs king, 3050
'gainſt Isr'el doth rebell;
Iehosaphat [7] and Iehoram [6]
the King of Israel,
KIng eke of Edom ioynes with them,
theſe three full [10] sore distreſt
For want of water, strangely [20] are
by Elisha refresht.
LIght and a small [18] thing to the Lord,
is this; their [19] foes befoiles:
Deceiu'd with colours they are [23] spoild
who lookt and hop'd for spoyles.
MOabites King vpon [26] the wall
doth sacrifice his sonne.
Isr'el is grieu'd, from thence departs,
and so the warre is done.

4 NOw is the widdowes oyle [1] increast,
with which her debts sho [7] payes.
He gines the Shunamite a sonne 3052
and him from death doth raiſe.
OMan of God death [40] in the pot,
(the Prophets children cry)

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doth fiue ſcore [42] ſatisfie.

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Benhadad ſends a gift
To him by Hazael, [8] here obſerue
Hazaels bloody [15] drift.
FOr he ſucceeds when firſt he [15] had
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by *Iehu then [6] were sent, *3018
Caus'd

Caus'd seuenty [7] sonnes to lose their heads,
which heads to Iehu went.
MVrtherous fact he [10] doth excuse,
by Elias prophesie,
He two and forty brethren [12] kills,
of late King Ahazie.
NOw meets he with [15] Iehonadab
him as companion takes:
And of the worshippers of Baal
by sleight he hauocke makes.
OBserue how Iehu * followeth * 3084
curst [29] Ieroboams deeds:
Haz'el oppresseth Israel,
Iohaz Iehu succeeds.
II PReseru'd is Ioash by his Aunt
from [2] Athaliahs hands: * 3085
Six yeares in Gods house [3] he is hid,
then for the Kingdome stands.
QVickly then sends [4] Iehoiada
to rulers [12], Ioash King:
Athaliah [13] slaine, Iehoiada
true worship now brings in.
12 RIghtly did Ioash [2] rule and raigne
in all the high [3] Priests daies, 3084
He bade the Priest repaire Gods house,
Kings [10] Scribe the work-man payes.
SEe Hazael, the Syrians [17] King,
by presents [17] turn'd away
From spoiling Salem: hallowed things [18]
doth Ioash send and pay.
THe traiterous seruants [20] of Ioash,
[21] their King and Master slay:
And after him then doth [21] succeed
his sonne Amazia.

13 Vexed

13 VExed full ſore is Iehoahaz [3]
for his vngodly reigne
By [3] Haz'el: but by prayer God
relieues [4] the king againe.
AFter his death, Ioaſh his ſonne [10]
ſucceedeth in his place:
He walk't as Ieroboam [11] did,
a king deuoid of grace.
BEhold here [12] good Eliſha [14] dyes,
but firſt he prophecies
That Ioaſh ouer Syridus [16]
ſhall haue three victories.
CVrſt Moabites inuade [20] the land,
(obſerue a wonder great)
A dead man caſt in Prophets [21] graue, 3107
reuiues and ſtands on's feet.
14 DOing as father Ioaſh did,
Amazia [2] rules well,
Yet not like Dauid [3] faithfull King
who reign'd in Iſrael.
EAch man (as yet) on [4] high places
did offer ſacrifice:
He on his fathers [5] murtherers
did iuſtice exerciſe.
FVll ten thouſands of Edomites
King Amaziah ſlew:
Prouoking Ioaſh Iſraels [8] King,
hee's made full ſore to rue. 3190
GRaceleſſe Ieroboam made King
did Ioaſh then ſucceed:
Amaziah is [17] by traitors vile
at Lachiſh murthered
HEre Ahaziah [21] ſucceeds,
Iero[illegible]ams wicked reigne:

Here Zachariah him ſucceedes,
the laſt of Iehues traine.

15 IN Iudah Azariah raignes,
abounding in good deeds:
High places + ſtayes: he Leper * dyes *3150
and Iotham him ſucceeds.

KIng Zachariah raigning [8] ill,
is by bad [9] Shallum ſlaine,
He reignes [13] a month, and Menahem
puts him to deadly [14] paine.

LEwd Menahem made ſtrong by Pul,
rips [16] woman great with child:

MAd Pekaiah raigns after him,
and's ſlaine [23] by Peka wyld.

NOw Peka is oppreſſed [27] ſore
by Tigla Pelezer,
And after ſlaine by Hoſhea
conſpiring murderer.

OBſerue here good king Iothams [34] raigne,
he followes fathers deeds;
High places yet were not remou'd,
king Ahaz [37] him ſucceeds.

16 PEruerſly did king Ahaz [1] reigne:
him [5] Rezin-Pekah aſſailes:
But Tiglath [7] Pelezer he hyres,
againſt them he preuailes.

QVickly he to Damaſcus goes,
and there an altar ſees,
And thereof the a patterne [10] ſends
(forgetting Gods decrees)

RIght ſpeedily [11] to Vriah Prieſt,
who yeelds in euery [12] thing
Gods brazen Altar to diuert
to Ahaz [15] owne liking.

See

SEe how he doth the Temple ſpoyle
(a curſt and wicked deed)
He dyes, and his ſonne Hezeki
good king rules in his ſtead.

17 THe wicked King Hoſhea [1] raignes,
Salman'ſer him [2] ſubdues:
Againſt [3] him Hoſhea [4] conſpires,
but that he dearly rues.
VNto Aſſyria for their ſinnes 3210
now Iſrael doth goe,
The Lyons [24] plague falſe worſhippers 3230
they mixe religions ſo.

18 A Good king [1] Hezekiah raignes:
braſſe Serpent he [4] deſtroyes, 3236
And Idols all: [7] Salmaneſer
Samaria ſore annoyes,
BEcauſe Gods Lawes [18] they diſobey'd,
Sennacherib is ſtaid,
And by a [14] tribute pacifide,
which Hezekiah paid.
COmming [17] againe, he Rabſhcka
ſends on the King to raile:
Who moues the [19] people to reuolt,
and makes their hearts to quaile.

19 DOlefully Ezekiah [1] mournes:
and doth to Eſay ſend
To pray for them, he ſaith that God
his helping hand would lend.
ENcountring then [8] with Tirhakah,
Sennacherib [14] doth write
A Letter to Hezekiah,
wherein he doth recite
FOule filthy [11] facts blaſphemouſly,
good Hezekiah [14] prayes.

Eſay

Esay foretells Senacheribs
pride, fall [28] and end of dayes.
GReat blessing [30] must on Sion fall,
(thus doth the Prophet say)
One Angell of th' Assyrian [35] hoast 3238
doth vanish, kill and slay
HVndred foureſcore and five thousand [35],
the King is then full still,
He hasteneth home [36]; before his gods
his sonnes [37] their father kill.

20 IN those dayes [1] Hezekiah sicke,
is told that he must die:
He [2] prayes, his life is lengthened;
the Sunne goes backwardly.
KNow that this wonder God did worke
for signe of promise made.
The king shewes [13] to the messengers 3239
all treasures which he had.
LIking not this, Esaiah comes
and [19] blames him for his deed:
Foretells Babels [18] captivity,
Manasseh doth succeed.

21 MAnasſehs wicked [1] gouernment 3252
his crosse Idolatry,
Which caus'd against all [10] Iuda Land
many a prophecie.
NExt him his sonne Ammon [19] succeeds,
obserue his [20] wicked reigne:
He God [22] forsooke, and Idols [21] serv'd,
was by his [23] seruant slaine.
OBserue how all these murtherers,
that did so vile a thing,
Are by the people [24] murthered:
who make Iosiah king.

22 Prais'd

22 PRais'd is Iosiahs prosperous [1] reigne,
he doth Gods house [2] repaire:
Hilkiah finds [3] the Lords Law booke,
and Hulda [4] must enquire
QVickly of God: she prophecies
of Salems [5] fatall fall:
Which [6] ruine yet is respited,
till God [7] Iosiah call.

23 REad openly in publike place 3342
Iosiah [1] caus'd to be
The booke of God; he then [2] destroyes
all their Idolatry.
STanding then by a pillar [3] hee
Gods cou'nant did renew;
On Bethels [4] Altar burnes mens bones:
as Prophet [5] did foreshew.
THen solemne Passeouer [6] he kept,
and witches put [7] away,
With all abominations,
Gods wrath [8] yet did not stay. 3342
VEry sore kindled was his wrath [9]
'gainst Iudah's people all,
For Manasses, as [10] Israel,
so they must likewise fall.
AT Megiddo this godly king [11]
Iosiah, lost his life:
He Pharoh Necho did [12] prouoke
to bloody warre and strife.
BY people then Iehoahaz
(his sonne [13]) was made their king.
Him Pharoh Necho [14] impris'ned,
aduanced [15] Ioiakim.

24 CVrst, cruell [1] Nebochadnezer, 3350
Iehoiakim subdues:

Then

Then afterward he did [1] rebell,
but his rebellion rues.
Distrest is Iuda [2], by such bands,
as God among them sent,
Because Manasseth [3] shed the blood
of many innocent.
Egyptian king is vanquished,
by [7] king of Babels traine:
Iehoiachin [4] succeeds his sire,
and wickedly [5] doth reigne.
Furious king of Babylon,
Ierusalem [10] doth take:
Makes all the people [15] prisoners,
of goods doth mauocke make.
Great is the [20] anger of the Lord,
'gainst Iuda land, and city:
Zed'kiah [19] reigneth wickedly,
all's spoil'd [20] without all pity.

25 Here Salem is [1] besieg'd againe
Zedkiah sonnes [7] are slaine,
He [6] taken, hath his [7] eyes put out,
their Zeduzaraden
Ierusalem * defaceth [8] quite,
carries the [11] rest away,
Except a few poore labourers [12]
that doe in Iuda stay.
Kings captaine of the [13] guard spoiles all,
great treasures beares away;
The Nobles are [21] at Riblah slaine,
and then Gedaliah
Lord, and chiefe ruler was ordain'd,
of them that did remaine;
They need [26] would into Egypt fly,
when Ismael him had slaine.

Much

MVch kindneſſe [27] Euil-Medorach
ſhewes to Iehoiakim:
He ſets his throne aboue [28] thoſe Kings
that were in Court with him.

I CHRONICLES.

Chapt. *An. Mundi.*

1 ADams of-ſpring to [1] Noe is told,
Noahs [5] ſonnes, and [8] all their [17] race:
Shems Sonnes [24] to Abraham here obſerue,
with Iſhmaels [29] void of grace.
BY Ketur (Abrahams [32] Concubine)
what ſonnes; and Eſaus [34] brood:
The Kings [43] of Edom, and the [51] Dukes,
a few or none were good.

2 CONſider Iſraels [1] pedigree
by [3] Thamar, Iudahs line,
Ieſſes, and Calebs ſonnes [18] who were,
this Chapter doth define.
DEclar'd is Heſrons pedigree
by [21] Machirs daughter deare,
Ierahmuels [25] poſteritie,
and Sheſhans [34] ſet downe here.

Expreſt

EXpreſs is here another branch
of former Calebs race:
The line of Caleb ſonne of Hur,
is ſet downe in this place.

3 Faithfull king Danids Children ſee
to Zedekias yeares:
Then Iechonias line obſerue,
his ſonnes ſonnes race appeares.

4 GReatly increaſt is Iudahs race,
by Caleb ſonne of Hur:
Iabez good prayer: Simon makes
for Land a bloody ſtur.

HEre read of Aſhur (poſthumus ſonne
of Hezron by Abiah)
Who Gedor and th'Amalekites
doe conquer, kill and ſlea.

5 IN order here read Rubens line,
till they were captiues led.
He loſt his Burthright: he defil'd
his father Iacobs bed.

KNow here Gods habitation,
and halfe Manaſſes race,
Their chiefe men, coaſts and conqueſts all,
for ſin they loſt their place.

6 LEarne Leuites line, and Arons race,
till the captiuity:
The family of Gerſhon learne,
Koath and Merari.

MArke here their habitations,
their ſeruice vnderſtand
Which Moſes taught, vntill they went
captiues to Babels land.

7 NAphtalies ſonnes, and Iſachars,
the ſonnes of Beniamin,

Who

Who were the ſonnes of [14] Manaſſeth,
and [20] ſonnes of [24] Ephraim.

OBſerue the ſonnes of Aſhur [30] here,
and Ephrim's [28] habitation;
How were they plagu'd by men of Gath,
and how [23] Beriah's borne.

PRincipall [1] ſonnes of Beniamin,
and chiefe men [6] are ſet downe;
Here [34] Ionathan; his father Saul,
who firſt did weare the crowne.

QVickly here maiſt thou reckon vp,
Iſr'els [1] originall;
And Iuda's [2] genealogies,
the [15] Prieſts and [14] Leuites all.

READ alſo of the Nithinims
that d velt in [2] Salem than:
The charge of [27] Leuites, and the ſtock
of [35] Saul and Ionathan.

OSAuls ouerthrow [1] and death obſerue,
hee's murtherd [4] on his ſword;
His, and ſonnes [11] bones Iabeſh men
a buriall place afford.

THe cauſe why God [13] thus caſt off Saul,
and crown'd the ſonne of Ieſſe,
As that he went [14] vnto a witch,
and ſo his lawes tranſgreſſe.

IVNto Dauid [1] all Iſrael come,
at Hebron [3] make him King,
His foes [4] driuen out, he Sion [5] tooke,
His Worthies [14] water bring.

2 AMultitude [1] of warlike men
at Hebron [23] doth appeare,
With one conſent they make him King,
With feaſts and ioyfull cheare.

Who

[Bleſt

13 BLeſt Dauid [1] will fetch home the Arke,
new Cart they [2] doe prepare;
Vzza [3] ſtrucke dead, Obed and his
for th'Arkes ſake [4] bleſſed are.

14 COme ſee how kindly Hiram deales
with Dauid, now made king,
In ſending wood to build his houſe,
with many another thing.

DAuid perceiues [2] the Lords great loue;
Philiſtines [8] peace doe ſpurne:
His [3] children, wiues [4], he [11] twice [16] preuailes,
foes Idols all doth burne.

15 EXpreſt is here [15] the cauſe why God,
a breach among them made:
Becauſe they brought not home the Arke,
as God by Moſes ſaid.

FOr it a place [1] the king prepares,
the Leuites it vp take,
They beare it: Dauid danc't for ioy,
ſcornfully Michol ſpake.

16 GReat ſolemne [1] feaſting Dauid makes,
they offer ſacrifice:
A Quire he orders to ſing praiſe,
and was the godly guiſe.

HE made a Pſalme of thankſgiuing,
his [42] Prieſts and Porters marke:
The Miniſters, Muſicians,
ſtill to attend the Arke.

17 INtending to [1] build God an houſe,
(whereof God neuer ſpake)
Nathan doth firſt [2] approue th'intent,
after forbids to make.

KNow here God [11] promiſe made to him,
and his ſeed for his ſake:

Mat

Marke Dauids [17] praiſes and prayer,
which he to God doth make.

18 LOe how he conquers [1] Philiſtins,
[2] and Moabites ſubdues;
Hadarezer [3] and the Syrians
with all their curſed crewes.

MArke how [9] king Tou, by Hadoram,
doth gifts and preſents ſend,
For vanquiſhing Hadarezer,
for ſo their [10] warre did end.

NOw both the preſents and the ſpoile
to God king Dauid [11] giues;
In Edom he puts [13] Garriſons,
and then full quiet liues.

19 OSee how [1] Dauids ſeruants ſent
to viſit [2] Hanun king,
Are [4] ſore abus'd, but this abuſe
doth bane vpon him bring.

PRoud [6] Ammonites by Syrians,
with aide are ſtrengthened;
But by Abiſha, and Ioab,
are [15] all diſcomfited.

QVickly a new ſupply is made
of Syrians [16] againe:
By Shophach and by Dauid king,
theſe Syrians [18] are ſlaine.

20 RAbbah by Ioab is [1] beſieg'd,
and by king Dauid ſpoil'd;
He takes the kings [2] crowne off his head,
his men tortur'd and ſpoil'd.

SEe how king [4] Dauid and his men,
doe three great Giants quell:
Since they blaſphemouſly deſide
the hoaſt of Iſrael.

21 Tempted

21 TEmpted by [1] Sathan, Dauid sends
to [2] number Israel.
The number brought, [3] Dauid repents,
and saith he did not well.
VNto him [10] are three plagues propos'd,
he chooseth of them all
The pestilence [13]; he doth preuent
by prayer [17] Salems [15] fall.
AT Gods [18] direction, Dauid buyes
good Ornans [19] threshing floore;
There builds [25] an Altar; there God giues
a signe of his [26] fauour.
BY Gods command [27] the plague is staid,
at Ornans [28] floore he prayes:
From offering [30] at Gibeon,
for him feare of Angell stayes.
22 CEdars [4] great store; Iron [3] and brasse
King Dauid doth prouide;
He knew before the [1] Temples place,
where th'Altar should abide.
DEare sonne (saith he) build thou [6] Gods house,
which I did once intend,
But was [8] forbid; God make [12] thee wise,
his statutes to [13] attend.
EVen all the Princes of the Land
he bids to helpe [18] his sonne
To serue the Lord [19], who to them all
so graciously had done.
23 FRom all the [3] quarters of the Land
King [1] Dauid full of dayes,
Priests, Princes, [2] Levites gathered
and [25] taught them all Gods wayes.
GAthered all together thus,
Solomon [1] is made King:

The

The Leuites [2] numbred: charg'd to serue
the Lord in [32] euery thing.

24 HEre Aarons sonnes [1] diuided are,
but two for sinne are slaine,
Offring strange fire, the other two
as Priests doe still remaine.
Into a booke the [6] chiefe were writ,
Aarons and [2] Leuites sonnes,
Assign'd by [7] lot, they all must serue
at [8] seuerall set times and turnes.

25 NOw cunningst singers set apart,
to [9] sing the Lord before:
By [10] them are diuided all,
in orders twenty foure.

26 LOe how the porters parted are
by lot [13], who hold the gate;
The Leuites [29] are the treasurers,
who iudge the ciuill state.

27 MOnethly each Captaine [2] serues in course
and each tribe [12] hath his head:
The peoples [33] numbring Dauid stayes,
the officers ordred.

28 NOw Dauid [1] doth assemble all
the Peeres of Israel:
And in the great assembly he
them openly [2] did tell
Of all the promises [4] God made
to him [5], and to his sonne:
Of all the fauors he had shew'd,
and workes which he had done.
PErswading all to feare [8] the Lord
as long as they should liue:
Euen Solomon [9] to whom he doth
the temples patterne [11] giue.

29 QVickly by his [1] example rare,
entreaty and request,
Princes [2] and people willingly
to offer then are prest.
REioycing [10] much, king Dauid makes
a Psalme of [11] thanksgiuing:
The people hauing [12] blessed God
make Solomon their king.
SHortly then after Dauid [28] dies,
who raign'd in Israel
Full forty yeares; his facts are blaz'd
by Gad and [29] Samuel.

II CHRONICLES.

Chapt. *An. Mundi*

1 AT Gibeon king [3] Solomon
doth offer solemnly:
For hauing wisdome [7] he is blest
of God [12] exceedingly.
BOth wisdome, honour, wealth and strength
he doth on him bestow;

like him in dignity [12] was none,
that [15] euer liu'd below.

COme see the [2] multitude of men,
that he doth [17] here prouide
to build the Temple, some [18] to worke,
and some the worke to guide.

DIspatcht is an Ambassador
to Hiram king of Tyre,
for workmen and prouision,
such as he did desire.

EVen [15] wood and workmen [16] both he grants,
one doth in skill [3] exceed,
he praiseth God that [12] such a sonne
King Dauid did succeed.

FVlly when all materials
were gathered in [2] great store,
the Temple he begins to build,
in Ornans [3] threshing floore.

GOd taught [1] him how and what to doe,
then Solomon [2] begins
to make, and guild [4] porch, beames [7] and house,
with the two [10] Cherubins.

HEe made [15] two pillars, and the [14] vaile,
of precious stuffe and rare;
On right and left side [17] of the house
the pillars reared are.

IN like manner Solomon makes
Gods [1] altar all of brasse;
the molten Sea [2] on twelue oxen,
which doth in beauty passe.

KNow here [6] ten lauers, [7] Candlesticks,
and [8] tables all are made
Courts, instruments [9] of gold and brasse,
euen all as [19] God had said.

5 LOrds house and worke thus finished,
King Solomon did bring
The dedicated treasures all
which Dauid that good King
MOst worthily had put apart,
for seruice of the Lord,
Into his house: and Israel
euen all with one accord,
NOw solemnly bring in the Arke,
into his holy place
They praising God, he shewes to them
a sure signe of his grace.
6 OMarke how all the people here
by Solomon are blest,
And how he praiseth God who built
that house wherein to rest.
PRayer which Solomon did make,
vpon the brasse scoffold.
When as the house was consecrate,
here read thou and behold
7 QVickly then God sends fire from heauen
in token of his grace.
His glory fill'd the house so full,
Priest there could haue no place.
REuerently the people then
did bow in humble wise
And worshipt God: then Solomon
did offer sacrifice.
SOlomon hauing kept the feast
of altars dedication,
And Tabernacles, sends all men
to their own habitation.
THen God appeares to Solomon
by night in heauenly vision,

nd giues him [17] gracious promises,
but all vpon [18] condition.

VNto the [1] Lord, himselfe [2], his [11] Queene
braue buildings Solomon makes;
nd of those Gentiles which [3] were left,
he tribute money takes.

AS for the Israelites [9] he made
them rulers [10] euery one:
a Queene from [11] Salem to her house,
he causeth to be gone.

BVnt [12] offerings, and sacrifice,
he yearely offered;
new moones, Sabbaths, solemne [13] feasts,
as God had ordered.

CHarg'd were [14] the Priests and Leuites all,
to serue at any hand,
ch in his course [15] great store [17] of gold
was fetcht from [18] Ophir land.

DElighting in and wondring at
the wisedome of this King
e Queene of Sheba [1] brings him gold
nd many a precious thing.

EXceeding blest she thought those men
that might with that King liue:
n he to her [11] what she did aske,
or did desire, did giue.

Why is here set downe his [13] gold,
his throne [17] of Iuory:
argets, vessels [20], and the gifts
which Kings [1] brought farre and nye.

GReat store [21] of horses, chariots,
great tributes [18] eke he hath:
eigned forty yeares as King
nd then is call'd by death.

10 HEre Rehoboam rul'd by [6] youths
the peoples [11] suite denies:
Ten tribes [16] reuolt, [18] Hadoram ston'd,
the King in [18] danger flies.

11 IS. ael Rehoboam [1] would subdue,
and doth an army raise:
Shemaiah [3] doth forbid, and bids
him make no such assayes.

KIngdome with forts [5] he strengtheneth,
and great [11] prouision makes:
Good Priests and Leuites [15] (fearing God)
Ieroboam [14] quite forsakes.

LEwd Priests he made for [15] calues, and deui
of men of most disgrace:
Good people [16] went and serued God
at Salem three yeares space.

6 MAde strong so [17] long is Iudah land,
VI and Rehoboam King:
His many [18] wiues, and children [19] make,
and their [23] wise dispersing.

12 NOw Reboam [1] the Lord forsakes,
his lawes he di transgresse,
God therefore stirres vp Shishak [2] King,
his land for to oppresse.

OF former [5] sinne, when they were told,
and [6] thereof did repent,
God saued King and [7] Princes all
from deadly punishment [8].

PRoud Shishak yet did beare [9] away
the spoile and treasure all:
Reboam reigned [13] seuenteene yeares,
then death for [17] him doth call.

13 QVickly Abijah [1] then succeeds,
and maketh open [2] warre

Ag:

Againſt Ieroboam wicked King
and doth the [4] cauſe declare.
REligiouſly he worſhipping
and ſeruing [10] God aright,
Doth vanquiſh [16] Ieroboams hoaſt,
and puts them [17] all to flight.
SEe here Abijahs [21] fourteene wiues,
his two and twenty ſonnes,
His ſixteene daughters; other acts
by Iddo are ſet downe.

14 THen good king Aſa [1] doth ſucceed,
Idolatry [3] deſtroyes,
And all falſe [5] worſhips: God then gaue
him peace and reſtfull dayes.
VAlorous armies Aſa had,
he [8] fortifies the land:
Zera the [9] Ethiopian King,
comes with a mightie band,
ASſaulting him; he then to God
[illegible]
He [12] heares: and Aſa kills and ſpoyes
the Ethiopians [13] all.

15 BY Propheſie [1] of Azarie,
Iudah with one [9] accord;
And moſt of men of Iſrael,
make [12] couenant with the Lord.
COuragiouſly King [8] Aſa ſpoild
all idols here and there;
His mother (an [16] Idolatreſſe
though Queene) he did not ſpare.
DEdicate and holy things
into Gods [18] houſe he beares;
And then enioyeth peace and reſt
full fiue and thirty yeares.

16 ENtering then [3] into a league,
(for feare of Baash king)
With Benadad, good Hanani
[8] reproues him for that thing.
FRom building Rama (by this meanes)
proud [5] Baash then is stayd:
King Asa turnes him from that worke
[6] by Syrians [4] helpe and aid.
GOod Hanani is put in [10] ward
for speaking that was meet:
And Asa is exceedingly
tormented in his [12] feet:
HE in his paine sought not to God,
but vnto Physicke's aid:
His acts are in [14] the Chronicles,
he [15] dyes, is [14] buried.

17 IEhosaphat [1] doth him succeed,
he ruleth [3] passing well,
In honour and [4] prosperity,
he others did excell.
KIng Iosaphat [7] doth Leuites send,
and Princes all abroad,
All Iudah's people [8] for to teach
how they should serue the Lord.
LIft vp his heart was [6] to the Lord,
he doth abolish quite
High [6] places, groues and Idols all,
out of his peoples sight.
MVch terrified [10] are his foes,
the Lord made them afraid,
Some bring him [11] gifts, and presents in
and some him tribute paide.
NOte here his [12] greatnesse, and his might,
his Captaines [14] stout and strong:

His

His [12] castles, cities, [13] armies great,
to fence him from all wrong.

18 OBserue Iehosaphat here is ioynd
with Ahab neare in kinne:
Is easily [3] induc'd and drawne
to ioyne with him in sinne.

PErswaded were they both to goe
(by Prophets [4] false seduction)
To fight with Ramath Gilead,
to Ahabs owne [15] destruction.

QVarrelling [7] with good [17] Michai
who spake the thing [16] was right;
They imprison [20] him, and Iosaphat
did hardly scape by flight.

19 REprou'd he was by good Iehu
for his [2] ioue, helpe, and aide
To Ahab lent, whom God did hate,
because he disobayd.

SOone after king Iehosaphat,
doth shew his care and paine,
Both in [8] Gods house, and [5] Common-wealth,
good rulers to ordaine.

THe godly good instructions,
which (reading) thou maist find,
To Iudges [5], Priests and [8] Leuites giuen,
imprint them in thy mind.

20 VNto the [1] Lord Iehosaphat
in feare [5] proclaimes a fast:
And prayes [12] that in their great distresse,
to helpe he would make [15] haste.

ATtend vnto the prophesie,
he e called [14] Iazaels:
The ioyfull newes from God which he.
to king and people tels.

BEhold the people [21] then arose,
went forth with one accord.
King them [21] exhorts and singers sets
to praise, and laud the Lord.
COme [22] see the wondrous ouerthrow
of each selfe murthering foe;
And how when they had [20] praised God,
in triumph home they goe.
DOing the will and [31] worke of God,
this King [32] did prosper well:
But God was angry when [35] he ioyn'd
with King of Israel
EVen Ahazia (wicked king)
in their shipping [36] convoy,
(as Prophet Eliezer said)
God did their shippes destroy.
21 FIerce bloody Ioram [1] then succeeds,
six brothers he doth slay:
He raigned wickedly: Edom
and Libna [8] fall away.
GReat plagues, Eliahs prophecies
(in writing sent this king)
Declare: which for [14] his wickednesse,
the Lord on him would bring.
HEre Philistines oppresse him sore,
and the Arabians [16] all;
Marke his incurable disease,
his guts [18] him deadly gall.
IN this distresse he ends his dayes,
an [19] dyes in great disgrace,
Among the other godly kings,
he had no burriall place.
22 KIng Ahaziah [1] then his sonne
Iehoram doth [2] succeed,

As

As in his throne [3] so in his sinne,
as bad in word and deed.

LEwdly with Ioram Ahabs sonne
he doth [5] confederate,
To fight with Hazel Syriahs king,
whom they did deadly hate.

MArke how Ahazi [6] goes to see
Iehoram wounded sore,
God is displeas'd, and by Iehu
Ahazi's slaine therefore.

NOw doth his mother Athali
destroy the [10] royall seed,
Euen all saue Ioash, hid [11] by's Aunt,
and doth her [12] sonne succeed,

23 OBserue Iehoiadas [1] great care
in ordering [2] all things right:
Yong Ioash then [11] he maketh King,
in all the peoples sight.

PVt then to [12] death is Athali,
and Mattan [7] Priest of Baal;
They vow to worship [16] God aright,
they breake downe Altars all.

24 QVietly all the high-Priests dayes,
and well did [2] Ioash reigne,
He makes the Temple [4] be repair'd,
but after [17] falls amaine.

READ here the death [15] of Ioiada,
(who liued many dayes)
The honor of his funerall,
his sonne (the Priest) he slaies.

SPoyl'd then is [23] he of Syrians,
and of his [25] seruants slaine;
His sonne Amazia succeeds,
and in his [27] roome doth reigne.

25 Those

25 THose traitors that his [a] father slew,
he put to deadly paine;
AND when [b] he first came to the Crowne,
religiously did reigne.
BVt yet not with [c] a perfect heart,
an Armie of Israelites
He for an [d] hundred talents hires
against the Edomites.
CONuented, he dismisseth them,
at the good Prophets word;
His talents [e] lost, the Edomites
are thousands put to th' sword.
DIsmissed Israelites are vex'd,
and greatly discontent.
As they returne they kill and spoyle,
the Cities as they went.
EXceeding proud is Amazi
of his great [f] victorie;
And with the gods of Edomites
commits Idolatry.
FOr Prophets admonitions,
he careth nought [g] at all,
Ioash he doth [h] prouoke to warre,
which was his vtter fall.
GOd cast him off, when [i] he left him,
his death they doe conspire:
He fled to Lachish, there is slaine,
a due deserued hire.
26 HE eyong Vzziah [k] is made king,
his father he succeeds:
A while he ruleth very [l] well,
and prospers [m] in his deeds.
IN time he waxed [n] wondrous proud,
and did not [o] serue God right,

But

But playes the Priest [15], and after liues
a Leper [21] out of sight.

27 KIng Iotham then (Vzziah's sonne)
raignes in his fathers stead,
Who ruling [1] well was blest of God,
and glorious [2] in his deeds.

LOe how he fights with th' Ammonites,
their wheat [5] and talents takes;
Prepar'd his wayes [6] before the Lord,
a prosperous end then makes.

28 MOst wickedly [1] King Ahaz reignes,
the Syrians [5] vex him sore:
He did forsake [6] his fathers God,
and Iuda is plagu'd therefore.

NOw by the Israelites, they all
are put to captiues [8] paine;
But Prophet Obed giues [9] aduice
they should goe home againe.

O the Assyrians Ahaz seekes
for succour [16] and for aide:
But though [21] he brib'd th' Assyrian King,
of helpe he him deni'de.

PRest and distrest [22] he trespasst more,
in foule [25] Idolatrous deeds:
He dying, [27] Hezekiah then,
his [27] godly sonne succeeds.

29 QVickly this good [3] King doth repaire
Gods house, and doth restore
The pure and [4] true religion,
as Dauid [5] did before.

REmouing all Idolatry;
he bids the Leuites all
To sanctifie themselues: which [12] done,
they cleanse [16] Gods houses all.

See

SEe here the ſolemne [21] ſacrifice,
he offers of fat beaſts:
His [22] ioyfull praiſe, and of Leuites,
more forward [34] are then Prieſts.
THis note, that [35] all the inſtruments,
that Hezekia King,
Or Dauid into Gods owne houſe,
at any time did bring,
VNto Gods worſhip, [35] were not brought
of their owne minde and will,
But as the Lord by his Prophets,
charg'd [6] and commanded ſtill.

30 A Paſſouer the King proclaimes
throughout [1] all Iudah land:
All Iſrael, Ephraim, Manaſſeh
thereof doe vnderſtand.
BVt many [10] mock'd, and [11] many came,
at Salem it was kept
The ſecond moneth, when altars all
the men away had ſwept.
COnuented all, they [21] fourteene dayes
doe keepe this ſolemne feaſt;
And then the people by the Prieſts
[9] and Leuites all are bleſt.

31 DEſtroy'd is all Idolatry,
the people take great paine,
That Altars, pillars [1] pictures, groues,
ſhould none at all remaine.
EAch Prieſt and Leuite King appoints
vnto their [3] courſes graue:
And both what worke and maintenance
each one [4] of them ſhould haue.
FVll forward are the people all,
in offering to the Lord:

To

To bring the tithes of oxe and sheepe
they willingly [6] accord:
GOod Ezekiah doth appoint
in euery [11] coast and border,
Officers with charge [12] to see
all things kept in due order.
HE in the seruice of his God
did [20] walke without all blame:
He sought the Lord with all his heart,
and prospered for [28] the same.

32 INuaded by [1] Senacherib,
(who thinkes the same to winne)
Is Iuda: then to fortifie
Hezekiah [2] doth beginne.
KIngly incouragements [7] he giues,
vnto his people all,
Tells them that by the [8] power of God
Senacherib should fall.
LEtters are sent, and messages,
full fraught [9] with blasphemies,
Against the which King [10] Hezeki
and Prophet Elay prayes.
MArke how an Angel then destroyes
the whole Assyrians hoast,
By his owne sonnes that king is [21] slaine,
that did so brag and boast.
NOw Hezekiah [24] falleth sicke,
and prayeth feruently;
He then obtaines of God [24] a signe
of his recouery.
OBserue how then he [25] waxed proud,
and God did bring him low:
His treasures to [31] Ambassadors,
he foolishly did show.

Passing

PAssing great were his [27] wealth and workes,
God grac'd [28] him for his deeds;
He dyes, and his sonne [29] Manasseh,
in kingly throne succeedes.

33 QVickly this wicked king sets vp
Idolatry [2] againe;
He would not be admonished,
but wickedly [3] doth reigne.

ROoting out all [5] Religion,
hee's [11] had to Babylon,
And is releas'd [12] when he to God
made supplication.

STrange worships then he [15] banished,
and all Idolatry:
His acts, and prayer [18] made to God,
the Seers [19] testifie.

THen dyes [20] Manasseh, and Ammon
his wicked sonne doth [22] reigne
Two yeares, he did [23] displease the Lord,
then by his [24] men was slaine.

VIle murtherers [24] the people slew,
and then in Ammons stead
His sonne Iosiah (eight yeares old)
doth happily [25] succeed.

34 A Godly King Iosiah [2] was
reign'd thirty yeares and one,
He quite [5] destroy'd Idolatry
false worships he left [3] none.

BReaking all Baals altars [4] downe,
he taketh order then,
That Gods house [8] should be well repair'd
by godly [9] faithfull men.

CVnningest workmen are sought out,
Hilkiah finds [14] Gods booke;

Shaphan

Shaphan did [16] beare it to the King,
that he therein might looke.
DEferring not, Iosiah [20] sends
to Hulda [22] to enquire
And certifie him what she knew
to be the Lords desire.
EVill she prophesieth of,
and dolefull desolation,
Should fall [24] vpon Ierusalem
for their [25] abomination.
FOr that the King did rend his cloathes,
with melting [27] heart and sad.
From all these plagues (during his life)
he [28] free deliuerance had.
GOds law is read by kings [29] command
before the people all:
They couenant [32] to serue the Lord,
and on him still to call.

35 HEe keepes a [1] solemne Passeouer,
doth charge [4] to serue the Lord,
Whereto the Priests and Leuites all
doe [8] cheartfully accord,
IN willing manner Princes, Priests,
and [9] people offer all.
He Pharoh Necho did prouoke,
which was his fatall fall.
KIll'd at [22] Megiddo was this king,
(a king of commendation)
For [24] whom the men of Iuda make
most grieuous lamentation.

36 LOe now Iehoahaz [2] succeeds
(depos'd by Pharoh king:)
Hee's carr'd into Egypt land,
then reignes Iehoiakim.

Moneths

MOneths iuſt [5] eleuen, and then is brought
faſt bound to [6] Babylon:
Iehoiakim his ſonne ſucceeds,
an ſits [8] vpon the throne.

NOte his ſhort reigne; three [9] months, ten dayes,
his ruling was ſtarke nought:
And therefore he [10] with veſſels all
to Babylon was brought.

OBſerue bad Zedekiahs [11] reigne,
after his brothers guiſe,
To God he would not [12] turne: but did
his Prophets all deſpiſe.

PErfidiouſly he did rebell
againſt proud Babells king:
He and his people [15] mock at them
that did Gods meſſage bring.

QVickly for this Ieruſalem,
and all therein [17] they burne:
The people captiue all are kept,
[till Cyrus ſaid Returne.

EZRA.

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Chapt. *An. Mundi.*

1 AS God foretold by Ieremy — *Jer. 25. 11.*
that Cyrus King ſhould build — 3431
The Temple at [1] Ieruſalem,
he thereto here doth yeeld.

Bidding by Proclamation
that Iewes ſhould all accord,
To goe to [2] Salem there to make
the houſe for God their Lord.

COmmanding all the men that did
in any place remaine,
That they [3] to helpe with needfull things
ſhould not at all diſdaine.

DIligently the people then,
for their returne prepare:
Gold, ſiluer, goods, beaſts, precious things,
by them prouided are.

EAch veſſell of the houſe of God,
which Babels [7] King before
Had taken from Ieruſalem,
king Cyrus doth reſtore.

2 From

2 FRom Babylon the captiue Iewes,
king Cyrus shewing pity,
Both [40] Leuites, [56] Priests and people goe,
each one to his owne City.
GReat numbers of the [43] Nethinims,
of Solomons [55] seruants see:
Of Priests, which sought, but [62] could not find
their lawfull pedigree.
HEre of their number [64] and their wealth
is made a [66] large nayration;
As also of their offerings,
for Temples [68] restauration.
3 ISraels people now return'd,
Gods Altar [1] is erected,
The [4] feasts of Tabernacles kept,
which was before neglected.
KIndly they money, meat and drinke,
for workmen [7] doe prepare;
As Ouerseers of the worke,
Leuites [8] appointed are:
LAid by the builders of the worke,
is Temples [10] sure foundation:
The yong men [12] threat much reioyce,
old men [13] make lamentation.
4 MArke how dissembling enemies
make shew that [2] they would build
The Temple [3] with the Israelites,
but they refuse to yeeld.
NOw seeke they with all subtilty,
this worthy [5] worke to let;
To make the king their enemy,
their wits on worke they set.
OF treason they accuse the Iewes,
as rebels still to [19] kings;

The

The King beleeues, [25] and giues in charge,
to hinder their buildings.

5 PRophet Haggai and Zechary 3446
ſtirre vp Zrubbabel,
With others [1] to erect Gods houſe,
euen good Shealtiel.

QVickly they ſet about the worke,
their foes againſt demand
Who did command [3], or gaue them power,
to take thoſe workes in hand.

REceiuing anſwer, then they write
to know the Kings intent [7].
And that he would ſearch [17] old records,
what firſt King Cyrus ment.

6 SEe how Darius following 3450
Cyrus his firſt decree,
Forbids [19] ſeruants that the Iewes
ſhould let or hindred bee.

TO furniſh them with needfull things,
(what euer they ſhould craue)
As mony or [22] materials,
he charg'd that they ſhould haue.

VNto that man that ſhould intend,
to alter his decree,
Death is decreed he muſt be [23] hang'd
[24] his houſe a dunghill be.

ALl things are then accompliſhed,
euen by the [13] helpe of foes,
And [14] Prophets good direction,
Gods matters forward goes.

BOth Prieſts and [16] Leuites are reſtor'd,
Gods houſe they [17] conſecrate:
The Paſſeouer [22] then ſolemnely
the people celebrate.

7 Com-

7 COmmission is granted here
from [11] Artaxerxes king,
That Ezra for the house of God
should lacke no kind of thing.
Directly to [1] Ierusalem,
he then his iourney takes,
And by the kings authority,
a [11] reformation makes.
EZra doth magnifie the name
of God his [28] Lord therefore,
Who had to him before the king,
extended mercies store.

8 FRom Babylon who doe returne
with [1] Ezra [1] here is told,
Both he and his companions,
a fast [21] doe keepe and hold.
GReat store of siluer and of gold
to Priests [24] committed was:
From Ahaua [31] to Salem then
both Priests and people passe.
HEre in the holy house of God,
is all the treasure [33] weigh'd:
The Kings decree deliuered,
all done [36] which he had said.

9 INgrieuous manner Ezra mourns
and maketh [1] lamentations.
Because the people tooke them wiues
of strange and forraigne nations.
KNowing this thing assuredly,
(his sorrow to expresse.)
He rent his [3] cloathes, he fasts and prayes,
and peoples sinnes confesse.
LAmenting still he for them all
then publikely doth pray,

That

That God [15] would pardon all their sinnes,
and turne his wrath away.

10 MArke how Shechania doth prouoke,
and Ezra much encourage
To doe away that fearfull sinne
of strange vnlawfull mariage.

NOw Ezra [6] mourning for this sinne,
doth make a Proclamation,
Assembleth then the people all,
who [7] promise reformation.

OBserue the care the people haue
t'amend [15] their sinfull liues.
The names of them that maried,
and put away [19] their wiues.

NEHEMIAH.

Chapt. *An. Mundi.*

1 AFter that Nehemiah knew,
and well did vnderstand,
The [1] woefull state and misery,
of his owne natiue land;

BEwailing the calamity
of faire Ierusalem,

Now

Now [4]desolate, he mournes and fasts,
[5] and prayes to God for them.

CONfessing his, and peoples sinnes,
a pardon he doth craue,
And that in [6] all his counsells graue,
Gods fauour he might haue.

2 DEmanded is Nehemiah
of Artaxerxes king,
The [7] cause of his great heauinesse,
sad lookes, and sore mourning.

EXpressing then the cause thereof,
the king doth shew [8] him pity;
And sends him into Iud. land,
to build vp [9] Salems City.

FVrnished with materials,
to build the [10] house and wall,
He getteth [11] letters from the king
vnto the captaines all.

GIuing them charge that they should guard
and safely [12] im conuay
To Salem, there to build the [13] walls,
though diuers did gainsay.

3 HEre is the number of the Priests,
and men set downe at large,
Who did repaire [14] the walles decaid,
and who had cheefest charge,

IN managing this worthy worthy worke,
here maist thou see their orders,
And how to finish walls and house,
they come from diuers borders.

KNow that the men of Iericho,
this good [15] worke of the Lord
Promote so doe the Tekoites;
Nobles [16] no helpe afford.

4 Lewd

4 I Sawe Sanballat and othe foes
with malice fully fraught,
To hinder building, hinder, and with scoffes
they set the same at naught.
Mark then how Nehemiah prayes,
and God doth heare him so,
That he both doth disapoint the cratt
of each conspiring foe.
NOw talk the Iewes againe to worke
with weapon in one hand:
That so they might both build the wall,
and force of foe withstand.
5 OPpressd sore the people are,
ing cat[1] necessity;
Prudently Nehemiah then
doth find a remedy.
Questioning with Princes then,
he doth reproue them here,
For pinching, and impou'ring,
the Iewes[2] their brethren deare.
REquiring[11] restitution,
they promise to restore
The goods they got by vsury,
vnlawfully[12] before.
SEe how his owne allowance due
Nehemiah[14] doth forbeare:
He keepeth hospitality,
because[15] o' Gods true feare.
6 TO terrifie good Nehemiah
Sanballat doth deuise,
By subtile craft[7], by[6] rumors false,
and[16] hired[14] prophecies.
VNto the terrour of their foes,
and ioy of Israel:

The wall is [15]fully finished,
and all things wondrous well.
After al this intelligence
doth passe most secretly,
Betweene the Nobles of the Iewes,
and these false enemies.
7 Behold the charge of faire Salem,
Nehemiah doth commit
To Hanani [2] and Hananiah,
that they should gouerne it.
Counted by Genealogy,
are all the people here
That first [5] came out of Babylon,
to their owne Country deare.
Declared are their numbers great,
and here is made narration
Of [43] Leuits, priests [39], and Nethinims [46],
their [66] substance and [70] oblation.
8 Ezra together gathereth
the people [1] all about:
Religiously the Law is read,
and [8] heard of all the rout.
For knowledge of the word of God
the people much delight,
They forward are to heare the word,
and to be taught it right.
Gathering branches from the Mount,
they boothes [15] thereof do make:
The feast of tabernacles kept,
they ioy and [17] comfort take.
9 Here Israels people fast and pray, 3528
and of their sinnes repent,
Strange wiues which they [2] had maried
away from them are sent,

Ioyfully

IOyfully then they praiſe the Lord,
by Leuites [5] exhortation;
And of his wonders wonderfull,
they make [6] a declaration.
KNowing the Lords exceeding loue,
the Leuites doe confeſſe
Religiouſly his fauours great,
and peoples wickedneſſe.
10 LEarn here their names that with the Lord
their [1] couenant renew,
And ſeale the ſame; they ſtill will giue
the [2] Lord his ſeruice due.
MArke wel the points of this their oath,
no ſtrange wiues [3] will they take:
To buy or ſell [4] on Sabbath day
they will great conſcience make.
NOne of Gods lawes they will tranſgreſſe,
but him [5] with worſhip pure
They will adore, both they and theirs,
while breath and life endure.
11 OBſerue how Rulers willingly
dwell in [1] Ieruſalem;
The people choſen are by lot,
to dwell therein [2] with them.
PRieſts, Leuites, and the Nethinims,
with diuers other moe
QVite to their owne poſſeſſions,
In Iudas Cities goe.
12 RAd heere the number [8] of Leuites
and [4] Prieſts of Iſrael,
That did from Babylon come vp
with good Zerubbabel.
SEe who of Leuites [2] and of Prieſts,
were principall and prime:

See the [26] succession of high Priests
To Alexanders time.
THe dedication of the walls,
with [27] great solemnity;
The Priests and Leuites offices
this Chapter doth descry.

13 VPon the reading of the Law, 3539
they make [1] a separation;
The mixed multitude are put
out from the congregation.
AT Nehemiahs home returne,
from Artaxerxes [4] King:
He clenseth cleane the chambers all
and did in order bring
BOth offices, and officers,
that had [7] Gods house defil'd,
He did reforme the Sabbaths breach,
[23] strange wiues were all exil'd.

ESTER.

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Chapt. *An. Mundi.*

1 AHashueroſh (1 mighty King) 3373
doth make a 3 royall feaſt
To all his Princes vnder him,
the greateſt and the leaſt.
BOuntifully he banquetted
an hundred fourefcore dayes;
To ſhew forth his magnificence,
his royall power and praiſe.
COunting no ceſt a ſecond feaſt,
for ſeuen whole 5 dayes he made,
This royall feaſt 6 was in his Court,
on beds of gold prepar'd.
DElicate wine in golden cups,
they dranke 7 vnto their fill;
Yet none were forc'd to drinke a draught,
or drop againſt his 8 will.
EVnuches were ſent then by the King,
to bring his 10 crowned Queene,
That of his noble Princes all,
her beautie 11 might be ſeene.

FLatly the Queene [12] denyes to come,
which frets the King full sore,
An act is made [19] which King confirmes,
and shee's diuorc'd therefore.

GReatly the King [21] and Princes all
are pleas'd with this decree,
That euery man [22] should rule his house
and wiues should subiect be.

2 HIs officers were [8] sent to fetch,
and they with speed doe bring, 3380
The fairest virgins in the land,
Ester best pleas'd the King.

IN stead of Vasthi shee's [17] made Queene,
the King for Esters sake,
Vnto his Noble Princes [18] all,
a royall feast doth make.

KIngly gifts and magnificall,
the King doth then bestow,
Her kindred yet vnto the King
Queene Ester did not show.

LEwd and rebellious porters two
did seeke to kill the king:
But Mordecai the treason tells,
they 're hang'd for that same thing.

3 MAlicious Haman by the King
exalted is and grac'd
Aboue all Princes [1] in the Court
in chiefest honor plac'd.

NO man refus'd to reuerence
curst Haman in this sta
All the kings [2] seruants bow'd their knees,
as he past through the gate.

ONely good Mordecai refus'd
(for all the Kings decree)

To

To this ſame vile [4] ambitious wretch,
he would not bow the knee.
PRoud Haman then is full of wrath,
and ſeeketh [5] for to kill
Not Mordech' onely: but the blood
of all the [6] Iewes to ſpill.
QVickly he doth preuaile with King,
and gets a [10] ſharpe decree,
That Iewiſh people on one day,
all murthered ſhould be.
REadily then the [13] poſts went forth
when they commiſſion had,
The King and [15] Haman drinking ſate,
when Iewes were wondrous ſad.
4 SAckcloth and aſhes Mordech' weares,
his garments [1] eke he rent;
In City crying bitterly,
and at kings [2] gate he went.
THe Iewes likewiſe in euery place
weeping in [3] ſackcloth ſate:
To Mordech' Eſter rayment ſent,
but he receiu'd it not.
VNto good Mordech' Eſter ſent,
truely to know [5] the thing,
He tells her: [8] bids her begge the liues
of all the Iewes o'th king.
AGainſt the law (ſhe ſaid it was)
in kings [11] ſight to appeare,
Vncall'd: yet (ſhe thinkes) [14] for that cauſe
the Lord had plac'd her there.
BOldly good Eſter then commands
that they would faſt [16] and pray,
She will doe [16] ſo, and then (ſhee ſaith)
ſhe ſurely will obay.

5 COstly and royall [1] robes put on,
she in Kings sight doth stand;
His scepter which he held to her,
she toucheth [2] with her hand.

DEclare [3] (Queene Hester) what's the suite
(saith he) that thou dost craue,
Though halfe my Kingdome thou demand,
thou shalt it surely [4] haue.

ESter inuiteth then the King,
and Haman [5] to a feast,
King bids that Haman should [6] make hast
to yeeld to her request.

FVll glad was Haman of this grace,
and friendly [7] inuitation;
But Mordech's stourneſſe fill'd him full
of wrath and indignation.

GReat glory, wealth and children store,
his fauour with the King;
Queene Hesters [10] inuitation,
he telleth euery thing

His wife vnto; and to his friends,
but all his glorious [11] state
Yeelds him no ioy, while Mordecai
so stoutly [12] sate at Gate.

IN friendly sort his wife and friends,
bids him a gallowes make,
And beg, that Mordech might be hang'd,
at this he comfort takes.

6 KIng Ashuerus could not [1] sleepe,
he bids his seruants bring
The booke of records, where he findes
that Mordech sau'd [2] the King.

LEarning that he had no reward,
for this his [3] worthy deed,

With

With bloody Haman [6] he conſults,
what grace ſhould be decreed.
Minding no good to Mordecai,
Haman wills [8] he ſhould weare
Kings royall robes, and that kings horſe
that worthy [9] man ſhould beare.
Nobleſt Prince of the Kings Princes,
thoſe garments [9] ſhould put on,
Haman did thinke this honor ſhould
be giuen to him alone.
On horſe-backe Haman Mordech' leads,
proclaimes in [11] open place;
Thus ſhall be done to euery man
whom King doth meane to grace.
Poſting then home, Haman relates,
to wife and kindred [13] all,
What things were done, ſhe then foretells
her husbands fatall fall.
Queene Heſters meſſengers then came
(when he his wife had heard)
To haſten Haman [14] to the feaſt,
which Heſter had prepar'd.
7 Returning both vnto [1] this feaſt,
vpon the ſecond day;
The King bids her [2] aske what ſhe will,
ſhe ſure ſhould haue no nay.
So ſhe of Aſhueroſh [3] King,
this thing did humbly craue,
That ſhe the life of all the Iewes,
and her owne life might ſaue.
The King demands who ſought their liues,
who did [5] deuiſe that thing;
6 ſhe ſaid, this Haman: Haman then
did quake before the King.

VExed at heart to heare this thing,
the King from Table rose,
Into his pallace garden then
he in great anger goes.

AMischiefe Haman saw prepar'd,
he to the Queene [7] did sue:
Himselfe (perplex'd) vpon her bed
full pensiuely [8] then threw.

BEholding Haman on her bed,
the King in great disgrace,
Said, will he also force my Queene?
then couered they his face.

COmming in presence of the King,
Harbona presently
Said, a tree stood in Haman house
full fifty cubits high

DEuis'd and made for Mordecai,
whereon he [10] should haue dy'd:
The King bids hang vp Haman there,
and so hee's pacify'd.

8EXalted now is Mordecai,
by Ashueroth King,
Who giues to Ester Hamans house;
to Mordecai his ring.

FVll humbly (weeping) Ester speakes,
and doth Ashueroth pray,
That all decrees [3] which Haman made,
might quite be put away.

GRanting good Ester her request,
he bids that Mordecai
Should in his name [8] write to the Iewes
their foes to kill and slay.

HE then departing from the King,
full royally [15] was clad,

With

With Crowne of gold vpon his head,
now all the [16] Iewes are glad.

9 IN that day when [1] their foes did hope
to haue the vpper hand:
The Iewes made [2] hauocke of them all
none could their force withstand.
KIng officers did helpe the Iewes,
for feare of Mordecai:
Hamans ten sonnes the [10] Iewes hung vp,
no spoiles they tooke away.
LOe (said the king) the Iewes haue slaine
fiue hundred in my Court,
What multitudes [12] then haue they slaine
the Countries all about?
MOre men in Shushan then were slaine
three [15] hundred bloody foes:
Seuenty fiue thousand in the [16] whole,
did tast of bloody woes.
NOw keepe the Iewes two ioyfull [18] dayes,
which are in feasting spent:
Then presents to their neighbours neere,
and gifts [19] to th'poore are sent.
ORdained here these two feast dayes,
which they [21] will keepe indeed,
Throughout their generations,
both they and all their seed.
PVrim these [26] ioyfull dayes are call'd,
they both confirmed [29] be,
By letters [30] sent by Mordecai,
and by [32] the Queenes decree.

10 QVickly then Ashueroth laid
a tribute on his [1] land:
His glory, might and noble acts,
in records vnderstand.

Recorded

REcorded in the Chronicles
of Perſians and Medes
Are they, and vnto Mordecai,
the kings moſt noble deeds.
SEcond vnto the king he was,
belou d of great and ſmall:
He ſtill procur'd the peoples wealth
and gentle was to all.

IOB.

Chaps. *An. Mundi.*

1 AN vpright man, whoſe name was Iob,
in land of Vr did dwell,
Who for his pious patience,
all other did excell.
BEhold the holy care he had
of all his children deare:
His holineſſe and wonderous wealth
are plainly ſet downe here.
CVrſt Sathan came before the Lord,
when other Angells came:
And there for groſſe hypocriſie,
doth Iob accuſe and blame.

Diſtreſt

DIstreſt he is (by Gods good leaue)
and rob'd of all his wealth:
Which 15 Sabeans and 17 Chaldeans
did driue away by ſtealth.
EXceeding lolſes in his goods
this good man did ſuſtaine;
Yet was it greater griefe to him
when children all were ſlaine.
FVll patiently he beareth all,
and mourning thus doth ſay,
Bleſt be the Lord that hath both giuen,
and taken things away.
2 GOd giueth Sathan leaue againe,
good Iob to tempt and try,
From top to toe with ſores and boyles,
he plagues him grieuouſly.
HIs wife that ſhould haue comforted,
and cheered him in griefe,
Of all his vexers (next the Deuill)
ſhe ſeemes to be the chiefe.
IN tempting him to blaſphemy,
and ſo his God forſake:
But he reprouing her affirmes
that like a foole ſhe ſpake.
KNowing and hearing of this euill
which did to Iob befall,
Three friends come ſee him, but ſeuen dayes
they ſpake no words at all.
3 LAmenting and complaining ſore,
Iob 1 cry'd, and thus did ſay,
Curſt be the 2 night when I was borne,
and curſed be the 3 day.
MOſt doleſull mone he maketh ſtill,
and doth deſire to dye:

through that dumb did make an end
of Hiobs misery.

NOw is that thing vpon me come,
which I did feare before
saith Iob, he figh'd before [4] his meat,
his paines did make him roare.

4 O[5] vniuſt dealing Eliphaz
good Iob doth here accuſe,
As though [7] to puniſh vpright men,
the Lord doth ſtill refuſe.

PInched with paine, he ſaith that Iob,
was [8] out of patience;
QVeſtioning [9] what was his feare,
and what his confidence?

RAſhly he doth reproue him here,
for want of true religion:
Iob in the [11] night is frighted ſore
with ſtrange and dreadfull viſions.

SVch as may well bring downe the pride,
of men [14] and Angell all;
And make them in humility
before [15] Iehouah fall.

5 THe difference betweene the good
an[1] godleſſe [1] wicked traine,
Here Eliphaz the Temanite
doth ſhew [2] and ſet forth plaine.

VNto the wicked doth befall,
moſt [3] fearfull deſolation
Which light vpon them all for want
of due conſideration.

ATtend vnto the power of God,
in all thy heauineſſe;
Bad men [9] he plagues, but ſtill defends
his owne [15] in their diſtreſſe.

6 Be-

6 BEwailing still his misery,
here Iob declareth plaine
His griefe farre [1] greater for to be
then he could well sustaine.
COmplaine he did not without cause,
he wisht his sorrowes weigh'd:
And that his [2] great calamity
in ballance might be layd.
DEath is the thing he wisheth for,
that is his [3] chiefe request,
Therein he comfort hopes to finde,
and therein hopes for rest.
EXceeding sharply hee reproues
his friends that were [14] vnkind,
Because from them more griefe of heart
then comfort he did find.
7 FVll miserable is the life
of euery mortall man,
This Iob declares; and that it is
in length much like a span.
GReat anguish he himselfe indur'd,
both in the dayes and nights:
Tossing [4] himselfe vpon his bed,
and seeing [14] fearfull sights.
HE rather [15] chose to dye then liue,
and did confesse [26] his sinne,
To pardon it he asked God
why he [31] would not beginne?
8 IN sharpe tearmes he is blam'd and checkt,
by Bildad in this place:
As if Iob by his [2] speeches had
Gods iustice much disgrac'd.
KNowing that God doth deale with men
according to their deeds:

Bildad

Byldad here by [8] antiquity
to proue it true proceeds.
LEarne here the bane of Hypocrites
who perish [13] certainly;
The righteous [19] dealing of the Lord
to Iob he doth apply.
MEnacing him with threatening s,
if that he [22] wicked be:
If iust, he promiseth that he
much [21] happinesse shall see.
9 NOw is the iustice of the Lord,
his wisedome [2] and his power,
Acknowledged by patient Iob
for euer to [5] endure.
ONe onely thing of thousand things
(if God against him take)
And call him [3] to a strict account,
what man can answer make?
PLainly good Iob confutes his friends,
and answers their obiections,
He saith that no man [22] should be iudg'd
by temporall afflictions.
10 QVite voyd of outward comforts all,
his plaints he doth repeat,
And doth expostulate with God,
about his griefe so great.
REsteseie he of his life complaines,
loathing to draw [20] in breath,
Some little ease he craues of God,
before his [21] houre of death.
SEe here how Iob doth plainly say,
that if he sinfull be,
God doth him [13] marke, and will not quit
him from iniquity.

11 THe speech of Iob refelled is
by Zophar [2] in this place:
For iustifying [3] of himselfe,
as worthy no disgrace.
VNto the Maiestie of God,
or to his wisdome rare,
Iob will be counted [5] vile and base,
if he himselfe compare.
ALl words and workes God heares and sees
of man with sinne defil'd:
Who would be wise; [12] though borne at first
like yong asse colt so wilde.
BVt Zophar teacheth that the way
to life and sauing grace,
Is by repentance [13] and true faith,
which he bids Iob imbrace.
12 COnfuted are the arguments
of Zophar which he brought;
Iob proueth [6] by experience,
that they are weake and naught.
DAily experience of these things
which God hed fram'd and made,
Did testifie those things [7] vntrue,
which Zophar thought and said.
EVen all the speeches of his friends,
as false he [9] doth refuse;
Of iniury against the Lord
he doth them all accuse.
13 FOrgers of Lyes (he saith) they are,
physitions [4] of no skill:
As ignorant and partiall,
he doth accuse them still.
GOds purpose in afflicting him,
to know, Iob [10] doth intreat;

As

As also his transgressions,
how many [23] and how great.
HIs trust and confidence in God,
he plainly [14] doth professe;
He prayes that his afflictions
he [21] would make somwhat lesse.
IOb here affirmeth that the Lord
shall be his strong saluation:
And that the [16] Hypocryte shall come
to wofull condemnation.
14 KNowing the shortnesse of mans life,
and death to be [1] most sure:
Gods fauour by intreating here,
Iob labours to [6] procure.
LIfe lost can neuer be recall'd,
this Iob affirmeth plaine;
Yet he (still [14] waiting for his change)
in patience will remaine.
MOst miserable is mans life,
and full of [22] woe and paine;
Yet hope of future happinesse,
doth godly men [14] sustaine.
15 NOw Eliphaz reproueth Iob
of great [7] impiety,
Because he tooke vnto himselfe
wisedome [8] and puritie.
OBserue the curse described, that
on wicked men befall.
Obserue how [16] Iob is reckoned
as one among them all.
PLainly he proues by tradition,
bad mens [17] vnquietnesse;
And by comparing Gods iustice,
he bids [18] him sinne confesse.

16 Quarrelling

16 QVarrelling friends are sharply checkt
of Iob most worthily,
Because they had [2] most falsly charg'd
him with impiety.
RElating then his misery,
and [3] wofull state again
His iustice [17] and his vprightnesse,
he boldly doth maintaine.
SHewing that though men did condemne
him of hypocrisie:
Yet God [19] was witnesse of his cause,
his record was on high.
17 THus Iob appeales from men to God,
and though he be oppresst
By wretched [9] men; yet on the Lord
he doth relye and rest.
VNto repentance he exhorts
his friends [10] that were vnkind:
He saith he had no hope in life,
death still was in [13] his mind.
ALthough mens cruell dealing may
affright good men a space;
Yet are they not [9] discouraged,
for all their foule disgrace.
18 BIldad of great presumption
good Iob doth here accuse;
Because he [2] did his friends aduise,
contemne, reiect, refuse.
COndemning also (as he thought)
Gods iudgements on him laid,
Which he did beare [4] impatiently,
and was too much dismaid.
DEclared by fit allegories
is wicked mens [5] estate,

To

To be moſt fearefull, for the Lord
all wicked men doth hate.

19 ENough he hath of miſery,
(Iob ſaith) to fill the mind
Of thoſe his cruell friends, from whom
he could no comfort find.

FOr pity, twice he cals and cryes
to thoſe familiar [21] friends,
Reciting [17] many miſeries,
whereof he ſaw no ends.

GReat comfort yet at laſt he takes,
that he ſhall riſe againe;
And haue [25] eternall life in heauen
void of all griefe and paine.

HE then diſſwades thoſe friends of his
from their raſh cenſures all:
Leſt that the [29] iudgements of the Lord
on them for iudging fall.

20 IN ample manner Zophar here
occaſion needs [1] will take
From [3] Iob his words, which toucht him neare,
an other ſpeech to make.

KNoweſt thou not (ſaith he to Iob)
that ioy of hypocrites,
And [5] triumphs of vngodly men
are ſhort with their delights?

LEarne how he doth confirme the ſame,
both by the word of [4] God
And by his iuſtice, alſo by
examples [29] of his rod.

21 MVch mou'd [1] is Iob with Zophars words,
and troubled [3] at the ſame,
And therefore him and other friends
more ſharply here doth blame.

Noting

NOting vnto them all that he
had iuſt cauſe of his [6] griefe;
Sith wicked men did flouriſh ſtill,
and he found no reliefe.

OBſerue how ſome doe proſper ſo
that they the Lord deſpiſe;
Some other come to wofull ends
in theirs and peoples eyes.

PONder this well, that all muſt dye,
the beſt and eke the worſt:
Both yong [22] and old, both rich and poore,
both happy men and curſt.

OVeſtionleſſe the wicked man
to iudgement is reſerv'd,
Where God will plague him [31] for his ſinne,
as he hath well deſerv'd.

22 READ here how Eliphaz affirmes,
that Iob is [4] plagu'd for ſinnes,
To charge him with [5] impiety
he boldly then beginnes.

SHewing that no mans righteouſneſſe,
extendeth to the [3] Lord,
Mans goodneſſe doth not profit him,
nor any [3] gaine afford.

THat Iob deny'd Gods prouidence
this Eliphas [13] here ſaith,
And that he was [6] vnmercifull,
without all fruits of faith.

VNto repentance ſound and true,
he then doth [21] Iob recall,
Aſſuring him that then from God
ſhould ſtore [28] of bleſſings fall.

23 ASſured of Gods loue to him,
and grieu'd at heart to heare

The chidings [6] of his churlish friends,
Iob wisheth to appeare
BEfore the Lord so be his iudge,
who though not seene with eyes,
Yet doth he [8] see and well obserue
our thoughts, our words, our wayes.
CONfessing in his misery
that he was [11] innocent:
And that he in the lawes of God,
his time [12], and life had spent.
DOing what euer he doth please,
all Gods decrees are sure,
Immutable [13] without all change,
and doe for aye endure.
24 EXpresst is here the wickednesse,
of sinfull [2] worldly wights:
Iob shewes what curse to them belongs
what [18] iudgements on them lights.
FVll oft they goe vnpunished,
from all [1] afflictions free:
Yet wormes must eate them [20] in the graue,
destroy'd they sure must be.
GOds prouidence doth gouerne all,
both when [13] and how he will:
The wicked and their families,
with plagues he doth fulfill.
25 HEre Bildad reprehendeth Iob,
who, in his miserie,
Did stiffly stand, and still maintaine,
his owne [4] integrity.
IN sight of God he saith no man
(when he is truly tryde:)
Can be accounted pure and cleane,
or fully iustified.

Knowne

KNowne are the ſtarres to be impure
in his moſt [5] glorious ſight;
How much more than, a ſilly worme,
a woefull [6] wretched wight.

26 LOe here how Iob, doth Bildads ſpeech
reiect, diſproue [2], deſpiſe;
And doth confeſſe Gods [5] mighty power,
moſt holy, iuſt, and wiſe.

MOſt infinite each kind of way,
his wayes [7] paſt finding out;
His wondrous workes [12] proclaime the ſame,
wrought all the world throughout.

NO helpe therefore brings man to God,
nor no defence at all:
He hath no [2] power, nor no ſtrength
to helpe himſelfe withall.

27 OBſerue how Iob proteſts againe
his owne [5] integrity:
The hypocrite is without hope
of all [8] proſperity.

PLainly he doth reproue his friends,
for witneſſe [2] God doth call:
That while he breath'd his tongue ſhould ſpeake
no wicked words at all.

QVite rooted out ſhall bad men be,
both they, and all their race:
All mighty [13] tyrants, and all ſuch
as lacke true faith and grace.

28 REad that a man things naturall
may [1] vnderſtand, and know,
And giue a [2] reaſon of ſuch things
as here are done below.

SVch humane wiſedome man may haue,
but wiſdome from aboue,

It is [12] a gift most excellent,
which God giues of his loue.
This wisdome is to feare the Lord,
and from all ill to flee
Is vnderstanding [28]: which who hath
a blessed man is he

29 VNto his mind, when Iob doth call
his prosperous life before;
His present [2] great calamitie
with griefe he doth deplore.
A Blessing was vpon his house,
and on his children deare;
Both yong [8] and old, both [10] rich and poore,
did him regard and cheare.
BEcause he was eyes to the blind,
and feet vnto [15] the lame:
He was of great [21] authority,
and had a [20] noble name.

30 COntemned and derided now,
he is of varlets [1] base,
Who (though he [25] fed them all before)
him, now with scoffes disgrace.
DElighting in his misery,
they spitted in [10] his face;
He was the [9] by-word and the song,
of youths that wanted grace.
EXceeding honour which Iob had,
his great prosperity
Is turn'd [5] into extreame contempt,
and great calamity.

31 FVll fraught with vertue's faithfull Iob
in his perplexed state,
Some of the same doth solemnly
here in this place relate.

Giuing

Giuing no leaue vnto his eyes
to looke for feare[4] of lust:
He walked not in [5] vanity,
in gold he put [24] no trust.

He fed and cloath'd the fatherlesse,
the widdowes [16] poore relieu'd;
He kept good [32] hospitalitie,
and eased all were [19] greiu'd.

In prosperous [26] state he was not proud,
from sinne he did abstaine;
Not for the [34] feare of mortall men,
Gods feare made him restraine.

32 Kindled is here Elihu's zeale,
gainst Iob [2], and his three friends,
His silence he by Iobs and theirs,
excuseth [13] and defends.

Learne this from Elihu, that age
no mortall man [9] makes wise;
All diuine [8] wisedome doth from heauen
and from the Lord arise.

Marke how he (speaking) doth excuse,
his bold and youthfull [6] action:
Marke how he checks for giuing Iob
no better [3] satisfaction.

Necessity (he saith) compell'd,
Gods spirit did [18] constraine:
His conscience also forc'd him so
that he could not restraine.

33 Offering with sincerity,
and meeknesse ele of mind,
To reason here with patient Iob
you Elihu shall find.

Perusing and repeating words
which Iob [9] had spoke before;

He doth confute them euery one,
with arguments good ſtore.

QVite freeing, and excuſing God
from giuing an account
To man; becauſe his [8] actions
and greatneſſe doe ſurmount.

REpentance [14] God calls man vnto,
by [15] viſions in the night;
By dreames, and by [19] afflictions,
and preachers [23] preaching right.

SEe here, how he inciteth Iob,
from ſpeaking to [31] refraine:
To marke his ſpeech, and if he will
to anſwer him [32] againe.

34 THen Elihu accuſeth Iob,
in ſpeech [5] to be too large;
Becauſe he did the Lord moſt iuſt,
with ſome iniuſtice [4] charge.

VNto the Lord omnipotent,
iniuſtice to impute,
Who vnto all [10] (as they deſerue)
doth iuſtice execute,

AN heinous wickedneſſe it is,
God cannot be [12] vniuſt:
Man therefore [31] muſt ſubmit to him,
and in him firmly truſt.

BEcauſe Iobs words did ſeeme vnwiſe,
Elihu him [35] reproues:
God pulls downe [24] proud and mighty men,
and ſets vp whom he loues.

35 COmpariſon to make with God
were greatly to [1] offend,
Becauſe our goodneſſe, or our euill,
to him doth not extend.

Daily

DAily men cry vnto the Lord,
(thus Elihu here ſaith)
et are not [13] heard, becauſe they want
repentance, and true faith.
EXhorted hereunto is Iob,
and that in [14] God he truſt ſ
nd (to auoid his [15] anger) he
muſt holy be and iuſt.
6 FVll faithfully doth Elihu
Gods mighty power diſcloſe;
is bountie, goodneſſe, [3] mercies great
to Iob he doth propoſe.
GOod Elihu confirmes them by
examples old and new;
nd by the [13] wondrous workes of God
that they are all moſt true.
HE ſheweth wherefore God doth plague,
and puniſh [11] euery day;
is becauſe that men are [9] proud,
and will him [12] not obey.
Obs diſobedience (he ſaith)
Gods fauours did with-hold;
r elſe he [16] ſhould haue had both health
and bleſſings manifold.
KNow here the guiſe of hypocrites,
Gods wrath they doe [13] increaſe:
heir liues are foule: they dye [14] in youth,
they ſeldome dye in peace.
37 LEarne here that God is to be fear'd,
euen for his workes of wonder:
s for his whirle [9] windes, [11] raine and [6] ſnow
and mighty claps of [4] thunder.
MOſt manifeſt hereby is made,
euen all the [3] world throughout,

His Maiesty and wisedome great,
which no man [5] can find out.

NOne without [33] cause doth he afflict,
he wills vs sinne to hate,
For he regards not any man,
wise in his [34] owne conceit.

38 OF grosse and sottish ignorance
the Lord doth Iob conuince,
Both by the worlds [4] creation,
and works wrought by him since.

POwerfull and mighty workes of his,
his wisedome and his grace,
Proues Iob to be [12] both ignorant
and feeble, fraile and base.

QVite destitute of might man is,
to get into his heart
Knowledge [36] or vnderstanding sound,
the Lord must them impart.

39 READ here the bounty of the Lord,
who doth [3] yong rauens feed,
Read how the goats and asses wild,
are helped in [3] their need.

SEe in the Vnicorne [12] so strong
Gods power and prouidence;
Which teacheth vs in him to put
our trust and confidence.

TO Peacocks feathers, Ostridge wings,
to th' horse God giueth strength,
By him the Hauke and Eagle flye,
this Iob affirmes at length.

40 VNto the Lord Iob answereth
and [3] humbly doth confesse
That he is [4] vile; and that to speake
he will no [3] longer presse.

ALl power of man is very weake,
if it thou doſt [2] compare
With Gods great works which he hath made,
which admirable are.

BEhemoth that huge monſtrous beaſt
which God did [10] make and frame,
Thoſe bones are like to [13] barres of braſſe,
doth plainly proue the ſame.

ICOnſider Leuiathan well
that monſter much of might,
Which ſheweth forth Gods mighty power
and glory ſhining bright.

DAre any man (though fierce and ſtout)
once ſtirre him vp or moue;
Out of whoſe [19] mouth goes ſparkes of fire,
his ſtrength dare any proue?

ESteeming yron euen as ſtraw,
and laughing [18] at the ſpeare:
Swords, darts, [17] ſtones, and habergions
this monſter doth not feare.

CArre mightier Iehouah is,
who did this monſter make,
This anſwer [2] doth this good man Iob
for ſatisfaction take.

42 GOd can doe all things (here Iob ſaith)
his heart doth [3] now relent,
He doth ſubmit [6] himſelfe to God,
and from his heart repent.

HE for his friends doth prayers make,
Iobs cauſe the [7] Lords preferres:
He makes his friends [8] ſubmit to him
who were ſo full of iarres.

INmercy he [10] accepteth Iob,
his goods he doth reſtore,

So that he was [13] made twice as rich
as e're he was before.
KNow his seuen sonnes, and daughters three,
the faireſt in that nation
He after liued [16] seuenscore yeares,
and saw foure generations.

PSALMES.

Chapt. *An. Mun.*

1 A Preface this first Psalme doth seeme
to be of all the rest,
To stirre up all to godly life,
whereby they might be blest.
BEcause that all, who in the word
themselues doe exercise,
The Lord [1] doth blesse exceedingly,
and makes them heauenly wise,
COntemners of God and his word,
although they prosper well
Here for [4] a time, yet they as chaffe
shall all be blowne to hell.

2 Dauid

2 DAuid reioyceth in this Psalme,
that though his foes doe rage:
Yet God his kingdome will preserue,
and that from age to age.
EXtolling and aduancing it,
vntill the [7] world shall end:
And therefore he exhorteth Kings
to Christ to [10] bow and bend.
FOr though that wicked rulers rage,
and Gods yoke [11] will not beare;
Yet he disdaines and scornes their spite,
and makes them quake for feare.

3 GOod Dauid from his kingdome driuen,
was greatly grieu'd in mind,
For his great sinne against the Lord,
and could small [1] comfort find.
HE calleth therefore on the Lord,
and after waxeth bold
Against the [4] terrours of his foes,
and railings manifold.
IN hope of helpe, he on the Lord
for succour still relies:
Euen then when [6] nought but cruell death
was set before his eyes.
KNowing the truth of Gods promise,
his faith did much increase:
That God [7] would plague his enemies,
but grant his people peace.

4 LEarne how when Saul did persecute,
good Dauid then did pray;
And on Gods faithfull promises
did firmely trust and stay.
MOst boldly therefore he reproues
his enemies each one.

Who wilfully [3] did ſtill reſiſt
his iuſt dominion.

NO worldly wealth, nor earthly ioy
doth Dauid ſeeme to craue,
It is the [7] fauour of the Lord,
that he deſires to haue.

5 OPpreſt with cruell enemies
and of [1] worſe plagues afraid,
Dauid did call vpon the Lord,
for ſuccour, helpe, and ayde.

PErſwading that it is moſt iuſt,
and requiſite alſo,
That he ſhould plague [4] malicious men,
and puniſh euery foe.

QVickly he then conceiues comfort,
aſſur'd of good ſucceſſe,
By comming [6] to his holy houſe,
his faith he doth expreſſe.

RElying thus vpon the Lord,
he maketh this concluſion,
That when his [7] cruell foes are brought
to ruine and confuſion.

SEeing him free from all their force,
that God will doe no leſſe
To other men that feare his name
whom he will likewiſe bleſſe.

6 THe Prophet Dauid when he had,
by ſinne prouok't Gods wrath:
And felt his [1] hand againſt him ſore,
fearing the ſecond death,

VNto the Lord with troubled ſoule,
and [5] humble heart he goes,
Deſiring pardon for his ſinne,
and freedome from his woes.

After

Affirming with an heauy heart
that if in indignation,
should destroy him, he could not
prayse him in congregation.
Being perplexed thus in mind,
then suddenly [9] with speed,
God sends him ioy and confidence
in his extreamest need.
Courageiously, and sharply then,
he did rebuke those foes,
that laughed at his miseries,
reioycing in his woes:
David most falsly here accus'd,
by Chush kinsman to Saul:
to God to be [1] his fence and aide,
most heartily doth call.
Earnestly then his harmlesse heart
to God he doth [3] commend;
shewing that he against King Saul
no malice did [9] intend.
For Gods glory he saith it makes
iust sentence to [10] award
against such men as neither God,
nor good men doe regard.
Gods mercies and his promises
then weighing in his mind,
he waxeth [5] bold; and scornes the spite
of furious foes vnkind.
He threatneth them, that all that euill
shall light vpon their head
which they for [14] good and godly men
through spite imagined.
Ioyfull wise vnto the Lord,
due prayses [17] he will sing:

For keeping promise faithfully,
and granting his wishing.

8 KIng Dauid pondering in mind,
Gods bounty, loue[1] and care,
His prouidence toward mankind,
most wonderfull and rare.

LEading him with his benefits,
making him[2] Lord of all;
To praise and magnifie his name,
he presently doth fall.

MVch wondring at his mercies great
who like God did him frame;
He saith, O Lord[3] how excellent,
is thy most noble name!

9 NOw after Dauid had giuen thanks
for many[1] victories,
Which God had[2] giuen and granted him,
against his enemies.

OFt hauing had experience
of his defence[3] and loue;
Which he in all extremities
did manifestly proue.

PVrsued now againe afresh
by his most cruell foe:
Desireth God to helpe[4] againe,
as he was wont to doe.

QVite to destroy malicious men,
that are on mischiefe set;
And turne the wicked into hell,
which doe the Lord forget.

10 READ how of fraud and tyranny,
and of all kinde[1] of wrongs,
Which worldly men were wont to doe,
with hearts, or hands, or tongues.

Spurain

SPurning the poore, despising God,
read Dauids sore complaints.
And see the [3] cause why such bad men
admit of no restraints.

THe cause is this, they are so drunke
with [4] worldly wealth and pleasure;
That they despise all feare of God,
and sinne without all measure.

VNto the Lord he therefore calls,
that he some helpe [15] would send
Against these deuillish wicked men,
that had no grace to mend.

AT length he comforteth himselfe
with hope [16] of good successe:
That he will succour and defend
the poore and fatherlesse.

11 BEhold two parts in this same Psalme,
the first it doth containe
The anguish and tentations
that [1] Dauid did sustaine.

COmplaining in how great distresse
he was, and griefe of [2] minde,
When Saul did persecute him sore,
and shew'd himselfe vnkind.

DEclared then is Dauids ioy,
to whom [4] God in his need,
Did alwayes helpe and succour send,
with all conuenient speed.

EXtolling here Gods righteousnesse,
who good and bad [5] doth guide,
Who ruleth all the things that are
within this world so wide.

12 FVll sore the Prophet here laments
[1] the peoples [2] wofull state

When

When godly men are dead and gone,
and goodneſſe all doe hate.

GOds helpe he ſpeedily requires
to ſuccour and releeue
His poore diſtreſſed children,
whom wicked men doe grieue.

HE then doth comfort both himſelfe
and godly Chriſtians all:
With full aſſurance of Gods helpe,
when they on him did call.

IN keeping of his promiſes,
Dauid doth here commend
Gods conſtant courſe and veritie,
his children to defend.

13 KIng Dauid (as it were ſubdued
with ſundry ſorts of griefe,
And new aſſaults) doth flee to God
for ſuccour and reliefe.

LOng time did his afflictions laſt,
long did his foes preuaile;
And yet his confidence in God
did neuer faint nor faile.

MAking the mercies of the Lord
the cauſe of his ſaluation:
NEw prayſes he will ſing to God
for his ſafe preſeruation.

14 OBſerue mans crooked nature here,
who ſhew by their behauiour,
That they in heart perſwaded are
there is no God nor Sauiour.

PEruerſe they are in all their wayes,
corrupt in all their deeds:
They pray not, ſtill one ſinfull act
another ſinne ſucceedes.

Quite

QVite void of all true feare of God,
This [5]grieued Dauid sore;
Yet he in heart perswaded is
that God would all restore.

REioycing in his confidence,
himselfe he [7]comforts well;
And prayeth for saluation,
vnto whole Israel.

35 SEe here on what condition
God did the Iewes so grace;
Is for his [1] people them to choose,
and Temple with them place.

THe which was to th'intent that they
by liuing [2] godly and well
Might witnesse to the world that they
were his owne Israel.

VPrightnesse first the Lord requires
for life and conuersation,
Then doing [3] well to other men
with pure communication.

36 ATtend now Dauid vnto God
doth hearty [1] prayers make,
For succour; not for [2] his deserts,
but for his mercies sake.

BY protestation he declares
that he doth deadly hate
All Idols; yea their very names,
his lippes will not relate.

COnsent in heart, consent in [4] mouth,
he vtterly denyes:
Abhorring all apparent shewes,
of all Idolatries. *Exod.23.13. Ephes.5.3.*

DEsiring that the Lord should be
his [5] comfort in distresse;

Who

Who to his [8] Church and chosen folke
his loue he doth expresse.

17 EXceedingly good Dauid here
complaineth [2] to the Lord
Of Sauls great pride and cruelty,
of God and man [2] abhorr'd.
Fierce cruell foes (besides King Saul)
against him rage and throng
Without all cause [3] giuen on his part,
he neuer did them wrong.
GOd to reuenge his righteous cause
he therefore here [13] requires,
And eke to rid him from their rage
he heartily desires.

18 HEre Dauid entring his Kingdome,
doth greatly [1] gratulate,
And prayse the Lord with all his heart
for blessing his estate.
IN his reioycing he extolls
the Lords exceeding grace,
Who from so [4] many perills brought
him to that regall place.
KEeping and still protecting him,
in all his warres and strife:
Preseruing him [5] from all his foes,
who hunted for his life.
LEarne further, that of Christs Kingdome,
the image here is plaine,
Who in despite of all the world
shall conquer [5] still and raigne.

19 MArke how the prophet to th' intent
he might the faithfull moue
To deepe consideration
of Gods great power and loue,

NOw setteth forth before their eyes
the workemanship most rare
Of heau'n, with the proportion
and ornaments so faire.
ORdinances and Gods lawes,
he calleth to their mind:
Wherein he doth reueale himselfe,
to be a God most kind.
PReseruing still his chosen folke
with his peculiar grace,
Which by commending of this law,
is set forth in this place.
20 QVickly the people flee to God,
by prayer and request,
When as the wicked Ammonites
King Dauid did molest.
REquesting him that it would please
his Maiestie to heare
Their King, and take his sacrifice,
which he did offer there;
SAuing him from his cruell foes,
and strengthning him with all,
That he might saue and succour send,
when they for ayd should call.
THen he declares that heathen folke
in horses put their trust.
But they trust onely in his name,
who holy is and iust.
VNto destruction therefore they
most certainly shall fall:
But both the King and his people,
shall stand and prosper all.
21 AGainst the cruell Ammonites, 1 Sam. 11.
(who did full sore assaile,)

King

King Dauid and his people did
victoriously preuaile.

BY God and not by strength of man,
he saith this [3] conquest came,
In person of the people he,
doth magnifie Gods name.

CHrist is the King to whom we are
by holy Ghost directed;
By him the Kingdome of the Church
is blessed by perfected.

22 DAuid in great extremity,
and neare to desperation,
Hauing [1] no feeling of his faith,
no hope of his saluation.

EXtreamely handled, with great griefe
of heart he doth complaine,
That he was [2] forced night and day,
in anguish to remaine.

FVll long he fainted, yet at last,
in faith and hope he growes:
Christs [1] figure in his person here,
King Dauid [6] plainly showes,

GOd by the spirit of prophesie,
to Dauid had foretold,
That Christs should suffer [3] for our sakes,
afflictions manifold.

23 HAuing Gods mercies and his grace
in sundry [1] manners prou'd;
The Prophet gathers certainly,
that he is dearly lou'd.

IN this assurance fully he
perswades himselfe in heart,
That his great goodnesse, and his loue,
from him should neuer part.

24 KIng Dauid (when the grace of God)
was [1] vtter'd and declar'd,
More [3] glorious in his temple,
then was of old prepar'd
LOng time before in Tabernacle,
which wonder he sets forth,
The price and dignitie thereof,
as thing of precious worth.
MOuing all men to thinke vpon,
and to consider well
Th' eternall mansions in heauen,
where righteous men shall dwell.
NOte that although the temple was
prepar'd for Abrahams seed,
Yet onely [4] they that purely liue
must enter there indeed.

25 OBserue how Dauid being griev'd
for sinne, and with his foes,
By feruent [1] prayer vnto the Lord,
for helpe and pardon goes.
PArdon he chiefly craues for sinnes,
which in his [2] youthfull dayes
He did commit [7] against the Lord,
he then [22] for Israel prayes.
READ how he doth begin each verse
which in this Psalme is set,
(Excepting two or three of them)
with th' Ebrew Alphabet.

26 SAul did good Dauid sore oppresse,
with [1] many miseries,
He finding no helpe in the world,
to God for succour cryes.
THen being well assured of
his owne [7] integrity,

Desireth

Desireth God to iudge his cause,
and plead his purity.

VPrightly then he promiseth
to liue; and to aduance
The power of God, and praise his name,
for his deliuerance.

AGreat desire (he saith) he hath
to be among the Saints:
When [8] he was banished by Saul,
he mournes for his restraints.

27 BEcause the Prophet Dauid was
assur'd of [1] good successe:
He feared not the tyranny,
of foes in his distresse.

COnstant he was and perswaded
by spirit of prophesie,
That he [6] should ouercome them all,
and get the victory.

DEsire he did a longer life,
and Gods [7] safe preseruation,
To this end that he might praise God
in his great congregation.

28 EXceeding pensiue Dauid is,
and in [1] perplexing feare,
To see the Lord by wicked men
dishonor'd euery where.

FOr riddance of them, and for plagues
to light vpon them all,
He cryes, [4] and is at last assur'd
that God hath heard his call.

GOd was his strength (he saith) and shield,
who did him still defend;
To whom he doth his people all
most heartily commend.

29 Here

29 HEre Dauid wills all gouernors,
occasion iust to take,
To feare the [1] Lord omnipotent,
euen for his thunders sake.
IN all the earth nought is so stout,
but thunders [3] makes afraid:
They breake the Cedars; cause both men
and beasts to be dismaid.
KNowne dreadfull yet although he be,
to make the wicked feare:
Yet is he alwaies mercifull
to all his children deare.
LEading and mouing them thereby,
in praysing to increase,
Because he giues his people strength,
and blesseth them with peace.

30 MArke how the Prophet Dauid here
set free from dangers great;
Doth render [1] thankes to God, who did
so kindly him intreat.
NOt ceasing to exhort all men,
by him tho like to learne,
And that the Lord is [4] mercifull,
not rigorous nor stearne.
OLearne how soone his anger slakes,
and yet [6] learne this withall,
That men from ioy, to [7] aduerse state,
full suddenly doe fall.
PErswading this; he turnes to God,
and [10] prayeth heartily,
And promiseth to prayse his name,
and that [12] continually.

31 QVit, and let free from dangers great,
Dauid doth here declare,

Whis

What meditations he had,
by force of faith and prayer.

ROaring against him, when his foes,
most cruelly did rage;
When nothing but his very death,
their fury could assuage,
SHewing to all that feare the Lord,
and here affirming plaine,
That Gods good fauour and his loue
to such doe still remaine,
THen he exhorts the faithfull all,
the Lord to serue and loue,
Because he keepes them, as they might
by his example proue.

32 VExed with great afflictions,
and lying [1] long therein;
The Prophet counts them blest to whom
the Lord [2] imputes no sinne.
ADdressing then his heart to God,
when he his sinne [3] confest,
God did forgiue his punishment,
and did no more molest.
BIdding the righteous to reioyce,
euen all of vpright heart:
Bidding the wicked turne [4] to God
and from their sinne depart.

33 CHearfully Dauid stirs vp all,
to praise the liuing Lord,
For his creating heauen and earth,
with all things [5] in this world.
DVe praises for his prouidence,
he likewise would haue giuen,
Because [13] he ruleth euery thing
created vnder heauen.

Euer

EVer in all his promises,
he faithfull is and true
He [15] vnderstandeth each mans heart,
and makes the proud to rue.
FRustrating all their purposes;
his counsell euer [16] stands;
No strength of man nor creature
can keepe [17] out of his hands.
GOod men that put their confidence
in his kindnesse [18] and loue,
Shall be preserued from their foes,
and all his fauours proue.

34 HEre learne how after Dauid had,
escaped Achish King. 1 Sam. 21, 11. 1.
He praiseth God with all his heart
for his deliuering.
INlike sort (as he praiseth God)
so he [3] prouoketh all,
To trust in God; to feare his name,
and still vpon him call.
KNowing that he doth still defend,
the godly and elect
The Angels pitch their tents about,
and safely them protect.
LEwd, wicked, and malicious men,
that righteous men doe hate,
God doth destroy them [16] vtterly,
and ruinates their state.

35 MArke how while Saul, to good Dauid
did beare a deadly spight,
To flatter him [1] his Officers
did take a great delight.
NOt ceasing still to persecute
poore Dauid with disdaine,

Their

Their cruell [4] hate and malice great
they neuer did restraine.

O How he prayeth God to plead
his cause against them all
That in the Snares [8] they laid for him,
in them, themselues might fall.

P Ayng them home, as they deseru'd,
that so it [9] might appeare,
That he from false aspersions,
was [10] innocent and cleare.

O Vite quit likewise that they might be,
who harmelesse tooke their part;
And that they [27] might yeeld praise and thankes
to God with voyce and heart.

R Ewarding so his seruants true,
he saith that faithfully
It will [28] Gods Iustice and his power
for euer magnifie.

36 S Hamefully did malicious men,
their hatefull [1] hearts expresse
Against the Prophet, who complaines
of their great wickednesse.

T Hen turning to consider well
the goodnesse of the [6] Lord,
Which he to all his creatures,
most largely doth afford;

V Ery well weighing in his minde,
the loue that he did beare
To all his children which doe serue
and worship him in feare.

A Bundantly he is by faith
confirmed and assur'd,
That his deliuerance from God,
shall safely be procur'd.

BOldly he then [10] praies for the iuſt,
who in the truth remaine,
and ſaith the wicked ſhall fall downe,
and neuer riſe againe.

7 CONſider how the Pſalmiſt bids
the godly not to fret,
when as they [1] ſee the wicked men
in higheſt honour ſet.

DEclaring comforts for all theſe,
whoſe hearts are [3] troubled ſore,
to ſee the godly to be grieu'd,
and vexed [4] more and more.

ENduring griefe, although they ſeeme
in wofull [7] ſtate to be;
yet are they in Gods fauour ſtill,
and laſting ioyes ſhall ſee.

FOr he preſerueth all ſuch men,
and frees them from the rage
of wicked and blood thirſty men,
and doth their malice aſwage.

GReat glory though theſe wicked ones,
and honour here obtaine,
they doe enioy them but a while,
their ioyes are ſhort and vaine.

HAted they are of God and man,
he will deſtroy them all;
to the pit of endleſſe woe,
they fearfully ſhall fall.

8 IN bed of ſickneſſe Dauid laid,
with griefe then doth begin
to ſay that [1] God did him chaſtiſe
moſt iuſtly for his ſinne.

KNowledging it, he prayeth God,
his wrath away to turne,

He vttereth the [1]cause and griefe,
which made him for to mourne.

LAmenting sore, he in these words
doth manifest his woes;
That he was hated of his friends,
abused of [2]his foes.

MArke how the arrowes of Gods wrath
so sore vpon him [3]light
That he complaines he had no rest,
nor ease on day nor night.

NOte yet how he in confidence,
his cause doth here commend
To God; and hopes that he shall haue
with speed an happy end.

39 OH how doth paines, care, griefe of hear,
and great calamities,
Make Dauid [1]vtter sore complaints
of his infirmities.

PVrposing silence with himselfe,
and not a word to speake,
Through griefe [2]into indiscreet words,
he rashly forth doth breake.

QVaint and strange suits he here doth make
which vttered [4]in hast,
Of humane great infirmities,
most euidently doe tast.

REmarkeable are his requests,
they shew his tribulation,
And that he wondrously did striue
'gainst death and desperation.

40 SEt free from many dangers great,
the Prophet here doth praise
The grace and fauour of the Lord,
which he had found alwayes.

The

THen he commends his prouidence,
cuen ouer mankinde still,
And promiseth to serue him still,
and onely on him call.

VNto vs all he then sets downe
what worship God requires,
Not offerings nor sacrifice,
the spirit he desires.

AFter all this he praiseth God,
and doth of foes complaine,
Then with good courage he doth call
to God for ayde againe.

41 BEing oppressed grieuously,
and brought in great distresse,
The Psalmist doth prouoke hee him,
that doe lamente his estate.

COmplaining greatly in this Psalme
of his familiar friend,
Who of great friendship made a show,
but treason did intend.

DAuid himselfe had such false friends,
but yet it may be said
Of Christ more truly, who with kisse
by Iudas was betrayed.

EXceeding mercies vnto him
in Gods correcting hand,
Not suffering his enemies
against him still to stand.

FRom humble heart all blessed praise,
he yeelds to him therefore,
Desiring that he may be blest,
and praised euermore.

42 GRest meanes good Dauid maketh here,
and greeues lamentation,

Because hee was [3] by cruell foes,
kept from the congregation

HE earnestly protesteth that
although he was [6] away,
In body, yet his heart and mind
was with him night and day.

In th' end he sheweth that he was
not so with griefe [7] oppresst,
But that his [8] confidence did still
vpon Iehouah rest.

43 KNow that to be deliuered
from all conspiring foes,
By humble prayer to the Lord,
the Prophet Dauid goes.

LOnging that his kind promises
performed he might see,
That with his truth, as shining light,
he might directed bee,

MOst hearty offerings of praise
then Dauid offer will,
Euen in the congregation,
and will wait on him still.

44 NOw faithfullmen doe here record
to Israel
Gods loue and mercies great,
With which he [1] did his children deare
most louingly intreat.

OBserue how they with griefe complaine,
because they feele no more
His former fauours and old loue
which he had shewed before.

PItifully they doe alledge
the couenant he made
With them, that he would euermore
should last and neuer fade.

Quite

QVite comfort[illegible] doe relate
what wrongs they did endure
For keeping of his [illegible]
with vnright hearts and pure.

REquesting that he would vouchsafe
to take their [22] shame away,
Because that for his sake their foes
did make [23] of them a prey.

SHewing that touched [illegible]
of his most holy [26] name,
They did rebound, they him intreat
not to despise their shame.

45 THe mightie power of Salomon
his strength [27] and nobilitie,
His honour, beautie, and renowne,
Dauid [28] doth magnifie.

VNto King Solomon is wed
King [29] Pharaohs daughter here,
And she is blest if she forsake
her fathers house so deare.

ATtend how by this marriage,
by Dauid [31] specified,
Christs [32] kingdome and the Gentiles Church
his spouse is typyfied.

46 BEhold here is a [illegible] of ioy,
of triumph, thankes, and praise,
For Salem's great deliverance,
in her distressed dayes.

CArefully still God keepeth her,
he therefore doth exhort
The godly to rejoyce thereat,
to their great hearts comfort.

DEspising all their hatefull foes,
because God doth delight,

T'asswage the rage of wicked men
when they the iust affright.

47 EXhorted by the Prophet here
are all men of the world,
With true and vpright hearts t'adore
the euer-liuing Lord.

FRee fauour which he alwayes had
to Israel extended,
And to his seede the same is here
exceedingly commended.

GReat thanks and praise he bids them yeld
vnto the Lord most high,
Of Christs Kingdome in Gospels time
he then doth prophesie.

48 HEre makes a great deliuerance
Of Salem (Gods owne City)
Against which many Kings arose
to spoyle without all pity.

IErusalem is praised here,
Church ornaments commended,
The name of God is magnified,
who had the same defended.

KNowne he is in his holy place alwaies,
and succour them in need,
When they did humbly seeke to him
they prosperously did speed.

49 LEarne how all dwellers on the earth
the holy Ghost doth call,
To thinke vpon the life of man
so subiect vnto thrall.

MEn mightie rich are not the men
whom God doth highly prize,
The godly therefore are to feare
such mightie men the lesse.

Note

NOte how the Prophet Dauid here
this to their minde doth bring,
That Gods good prouidence doth rule
and gouerne euery thing.

OSee how after death he plagues
these men with endlesse paine,
And how he crownes his owne with ioyes
when they shall rise againe.

50 PVre worshippers are very few,
men thinke that God delights
With outward worships to be seru'd
and ceremoniall rites,

AVite careles of the inward heart,
(which was the Iewish guile)
Who thought it was sufficient
to offer sacrifice.

BRead how the Prophet Dauid here
that false conceit reproues,
And saith, that it is praise and thankes
that great Iehouah loues:

CShewing that they dishonour great
to God procure and get,
Who in their outward ceremonies
such holinesse doe set.

DThankes giuing for his benefits,
and worships spirituall,
Obedience to his commands,
for these the Lord doth call.

51 REproued when King Dauid was
for his notorious sinne,
He came to God he doth confesse
and further doth begin

SOre grieuing humbly to protest,
that he in sinne was borne,

Conceiu'd in sinfull mothers wombe
and child of wrath forlorne.

TO all that should liue after him
in future generations,
He leaueth a memoriall
of these his prouocations.

VNto the Lord he then doth pray,
his sinne to [7] blot out quite,
And that he would renew in him
a right and [8] humble spirit.

A Promise then he makes to God,
that he [13] will doe his best
To teach all sinners these good wayes
that lead to blessed rest.

BEing perplexed for the Church,
which he did greatly feare,
The Lord [18] would punish for his faults,
he prayes him to forbeare

CRosses, or punishment to bring
on him, or it, therefore;
But rather that he [19] would increase,
and blesse it more and more.

52 DAuid doth liuely here describe
the cruell Tyranny
Of cursed Doeg (bloody wretch)
and his great enemie.

ESteeming neither God nor man,
hee caul'd Gods Priests be slaine;
But Dauid plainely doth foreshew
his ruine and his bane.

FIrme confidence he bids good men
in God their Lord to haue;
Whose iudgements sharpe their foes shall feele,
but them he still will saue.

GReat thankes he lastly giues to God,
that him deliuered;
The Kingdome here of Antichrist
is liuely figured.

53 HOrrible nature of bad men,
their cursed crueltie,
(Who say in heart there is no God)
here Dauid doth discrie.
IN wickednesse they far exceed,
they seeke not God nor pray;
They are corrupt, not one doth good,
nor will the Lord obey.
KIndled against them is Gods wrath,
before they be awake;
But Dauid prayeth that good men,
for euer well may fare.

54 LEwd Saul molesting, Dauid was
in extreame hazard brought
By Ziphims; also then from God
he ayd and succour sought.
MAking request that all his foes,
he would cut off and slay;
In hopefull confidence whereof
he patiently doth stay.
NEw praises and free offerings,
he promiseth to giue,
For his so great deliuerance,
as long as he shall liue.

55 OBserue how Dauid when he was
in great extremitie,
Complaineth of Sauls wickednesse,
and bloody crueltie.
PItifully complaining of
the falshood of his friends,

He vtters strange affections,
to cause the Lord attend,
QVickly to pity his estate,
he after is assur'd,
That from [22] him full deliuerance
shall shortly be procur'd.
READ how (as though he had obtain'd
already his request)
The louing fauour of the Lord
by him is here expresst.

56 SEE here how Dauid being brought 2 Sam.
vnto the King of Gath, 21.12.
Complaineth, and implores th aid,
in God sure hope he hath.
THen he sets downe the cruelties,
the malice, enuie, strife
Of those his bloody enemies
that sought to haue his life.
VEXing him still, he saith that God
his very steps could tell,
His teares had [8] registred and put
them all in his bottell.
AS for his great deliuerance
he here doth promise make
That he will pay [11] those vowes to him
which he vndertake.
BRIefe summe whereof was, that as God
had heard his [12] suites alwaies,
So in his Church he will set forth
his honour power and praise.

57 COme read how Dauid to the Lord
with faith doth cry and call,
When men at Zi'ph did him betray
into the hands of Saul:

Desiri

DEsiring mercy earnestly
when he was in Sauls cave,
He hath full hope and confidence
that mercy he shall have.

NEver he trusts that God will shew
his glorie and his power
In heauen and earth against his foes
that sought him to deuour.

FOr which he promiseth to praise
him in the congregation,
He also will extoll his name
among the Heathen nations.

58 GReat hatred in his deadly foes
Dauid doth here set downe,
Who secretly, and openly
did alwaies on him frowne.

HIs bane in bloody wise they sought
from them he doth appeale
Vnto the Lord, who in due time
his iudgments will reueale.

IN God (saith he) the iust shall ioy
when they doe plainly see
That so the glory of the Lord
the wicked plagued be.

59 KIng Dauid here a praier makes
being sore troubled
By cruell Saul, who seruants sent
to slay him in his bed.

LAmenting first his griefes to God
his owne integritie,
And then of his most furious foes
the bloody cruelty.

MOst earnestly he God intreats
his iudgements to expresse

Vpon all [5] those that sinne commit
of wilfull wickednesse.

NOting that though such men doe liue
a while vpon the earth;
To try his [11] people, yet he will
consume them in his wrath.

OCcasion thereby he will giue
that men may know alwaies
That he [13] the God of Iacob is,
whom he will alwaies praise.

60 PRosperously how Dauid King
gets many victories;
Still conquering [4] and beating downe
his proudest enemies.

QVelling them all, which thing did shew
from whence his honour came;
He saith, they all shall prosper well,
that doe approue the same.

RIght heartily he praies, that sith
the Lord the thing had done,
He would vouchsafe to finish well
that worke he had begun.

61 SOre danger was the Prophet in,
when he this Psalme indites,
Either of his sonne Absalon,
or of the Ammonites.

THen he for helpe doth call and cry
vnto the [1] Lord most high,
That he would be his strong defence
against his [2] enemy.

VNto the Lord perpetually
he praises then [7] will sing
When he hath foyl'd his enemies,
and made [8] him Iudah's King.

Apart

62 A Part of this Pſalme doth containe
the Prophets meditations,
Stirring him vp [2] to truſt in God
againſt his great tentations.
Bidding all people truſt [8] in God,
and not in things [9] are vaine:
From robberie, [10] oppreſſion,
he bids all men refraine.
Confeſſing that all power is Gods,
mercy [11] from him proceeds,
He ſaith he will [12] reward all men
according to their deeds.

63 David after that he had beene
in dangerous diſtreſſe
By cruell Saul, who him purſued
in deſert [2] wildernesse:
Even then this Pſalme he cleanes to make,
that all might vnderſtand
His thankes to God [4] for ſauing him
out of his enemies hand.
Full confidently did he truſt
in mind of his diſtreſſe,
In Gods [8] protecting powerfull hand
and in his great goodneſſe.
Good David then doth propheſie
of foes moſt [9] ſearfull fall,
And of the happy ſtate of thoſe
that on the Lord ſhall call.

64 Here are moſt hearty praiers made
by David in this place,
Againſt the falſe [3] reports of them
that ſought his great diſgrace
In raging out words violent
not fearing God nor man.

Purſuing

Pursuing [9] him with deadly hate,
and all the spight they can.

KNow yet that Dauid in this Psalme
most plainly doth declare
That God will strike them suddenly,
to plague he will not spare.

LAden with prosperitie
shall good men be and iust,
All shall be [10] glad and much reioyce
that in the Lord doe trust.

65 MArke here a Psalme of praise to God,
by faithfull [1] people all
(Who are by Syon signified)
for [2] hearing when they call

NOt plaging them as they deseru'd,
but shewing mercy great,
He did them chuse, [3] preserue, and rule,
and fatherly intreat.

OHow they praise him for his gifts
vpon the [9] earth bestow'd;
But chiefly for his wondrous loue
which to his Church he showed

66 PRaises to yeeld vnto the Lord,
and to consider well
His workes, the Prophet doth exhort
all that on earth [1] doe dwell.

QVickly the Lords most mighty power
he plainly [6] doth display,
That all stout rebells he thereby
might sore affright and slay.

RHearsing how from bondage great,
affliction and thrall,
He of his [10] loue deliuered
his Israell people all.

Sure

SVre promise here he makes to God
to offer 13 sacrifice,
And calleth all that feare the Lord
that they should 14 doe likewise.
THen bids all holy ones to come
to him that may heare
What God had 15 done for his poore soule,
what loue he still did beare.

67 VNto the Lord the Church doth pray
his fauours still to see,
And that with his 1 sweet countenance
they might enlightned be.
ALl her suites are to this end made
that Gods wayes might be knowne,
And that to 2 Iewes and Gentiles all
his iudgments might be showne.
BLest Kingdome he of God declares,
which should 17 erected be
Throughout the world at his comming,
euen vniuersally.

68 COme see how Dauid seeth forth,
as in a Glasse most cleare,
Th'exceeding 1 mercies of the Lord
shew'd to his people deare.
DEclaring how by all good meanes
he doth himselfe expresse
To be a 5 iudge of widowes cause,
father of fatherlesse.
EXcellent and most glorious,
yea without all compare
Of 6 worldly things the Church of God,
and Gods owne people are
FVrnished with his benefits,
adorned with his 16 grace,

Defended

Defended [17] from their enemies,
victorious in each place.
GRanting and finding this most true,
Dauid exhorts [39] therefore
All men to praise and magnifie
the Lord for [31] euermore.

69 HEre Dauid as a type of Christ,
we typified find,
Complaining, praying feruently,
with zeale and [2] griefe of mind.
IN cruell sort he vexed was,
they vinegar and gall
Did giue him for [21] his meat and drinke,
and mockt him eke withall.
KNow here [24] their punishments set downe,
where all his foes are curst:
Euen traitors all, [25] whereof Iudas,
was chiefest and the worst.
LYing in great affliction,
he gathers heart at last,
And offers [30] prayses vnto God
for all his goodnesse past.
MVch more regarded is such prayse
then [31] any sacrifice,
Whereof vnto th' afflicted soules,
great comforts may arise.
NOw therefore he prouokes the heauens,
the [34] earth and eke the Seas,
To laud the Lord, and then of Christ
his Kingdome propheſies.
OF all his Churches he hath care,
in which who shall liue well,
(Euen all the faithfull and their seed)
for euermore shall dwell.

70 Put

70 PVt to confusion that his foes
may bee with haſt and ſpeed,
The Pſalmiſt prayeth hartily,
and to be helpe at need.

QViet peace that all godly men,
and comfort ſtill may haue,
He of the Lord moſt earneſtly
doth beg, deſire, and craue.

71 RE ſpectiuely King Dauid prayes,
eſtabliſht by Gods word
And promiſe, that he in his need,
his helpe would ſtill afford.

SVre truſt he had from his yong yeares,
confirmed by his loue;
Which he in his diſtreſſe and feares
did alwayes feele and proue.

THe malice of his foes was great,
whereof he doth complaine,
And prayes that Gods good grace and loue,
might ſtill with him remaine.

VNto him then he thanks will giue,
and glorifie his name,
He ſaith that he in thankfull ſort,
will ſtill record the ſame.

72 A Prayer made for Solomon,
(who was Chriſts type and figure)
Vnder whom ſhall be happy peace,
which euer ſhall endure.

BY iuſtice ſhall he rule and raigne,
both Kings and nations all
Shall doe their homage vnto him,
and downe before him fall.

CHriſts name and power ſhall firme endure,
from eaſt vnto the weſt;

In

In him all nations of the world
shall euermore be blest.

73 DOubtlesse the flourishing estate
of wicked worldly men:
Nor yet the afflictions of the iust
should daunt Gods deare children.

EXpressely Dauid teacheth this
by his example rare,
And that we should consider well
our heauenly Fathers care

FOr his owne folke, which thing should cause
vs reuerence and feare
His iudgements, which are sanctified
to all his children deare.

GIuing vs all to vnderstand,
that wicked workers all
Doe quickly to perish, and in pit
most fearfully doe fall.

HIm with his counsell God will guide,
and will good Dauid bring
After a while to glory great,
and ioy euerlasting.

IN hope whereof with full consent
of heart he doth incline
Himselfe into the hands of God
with comfort to resigne.

74 KNow that the faithfull make to God,
most grieuous plaint and moane
For the destruction of the Church
and true Religion.

LEwd aduersaries then did roare
amids the congregation.
The Temple and the sanctuary,
came both to desolation.

MVch truſt yet all the faithfull haue
both in Gods [11] power and loue,
Which he did after promiſe [20] them
and they full oft did proue.
NOthing this well they ſuccour craue,
for honor of his name:
For the ſaluation of his Saints,
and for his enemies [33] ſhame.
75 OBſerue how here the faithfull praiſe
the name of [1] God the Lord,
Who will at his appointed time,
come iudge [3] this wicked world.
PLaguing the wicked workers all
who of his wrathfull cup
Moſt certainly muſt drinke each one,
and dregs thereof ſup vp.
QVire then abated ſhall their pride,
and mighty malice be,
But godly men [10] ſhall be exalte'd
and plac'd in high degree.
76 REmarke how in defending his,
Gods power is [1] expreſt,
When they in Salem by their foes,
were fearfully diſtreſt.
SFouleſt he then did make to ſtoope,
he horſe and man annoy'd,
All thoſe that roſe againſt his Church,
with plagues he quite deſtroy'd.
THerefore doth Dauid [11] here exhort,
that they ſhould faithfull be,
And thankfull to this mighty God
whoſe mercies are ſo free.
77 VNto the Lord in Churches name
his troubles and tentations,

The

The Prophet shewes [2], which makes him thinke on's former conuersation.

AForetime how he call'd on God
in all his [3] great distresse;
And (being heard) how he did sing
the songs of thankfulnesse.

BY that same constant course of God,
in Churches preseruation [11],
His trust in God is strengthened,
in euery great tentation.

78 Christs Church from out of Abrahams seed
whom he did loue so deare,
Iehouah chose (as Dauid saith)
of his owne mercy meere.

DEepe falshood and hypocrisie,
yet in this seed was [8] found;
Which to their finall ouerthrow,
did at the last redound.

EVill liues of fathers Dauid here
doth much reproach and blame,
That so their children might be drawne
to hate and shun the same.

FOr all that God both led [14] and fed,
and gaue to them his [15] Law:
Yet sires [56] and sonnes did still [57] rebell,
though wonders [53] great they saw.

79 GOds people greatly here complaine
of plagues and grieuous woes:
Calamities [7], oppressions,
sustain'd by cruell foes.

HAstily they then flee to God,
and doe [8] confesse their sinne,
With griefe of heart [9], and are in hope
full freedome for to winne.

In

IN this perſwaſion they are brought
becauſe their griefe and ſhame
Was ioyned with the great [10] contempt
of his moſt holy name.
KInd thankfulneſſe, obedience
they promiſe then before,
And that they will performe [15] the ſame
to him for euermore.

80 LAmenting much, by Dauid is
a doleſull [1] prayer made,
That God in Churches miſeries
would ſend his helpe and aide.
MAking it like vnto a vine,
which he from Egypt brought,
Which wicked [8] men like cruell boares,
did ſeeke to bring to nought.
NOw he deſires their firſt eſtate
that God would haue [14] in minde,
When as his face did ſhine on them,
and when he was moſt kinde.
OLd fauour here he prayeth for,
that he would perfect make
That worke he had [18] ſo well begun,
euen for his owne names ſake.

81 PIthily Dauid doth exhort
to praiſe with voice and heart
The Lord for all his benefits
which he doth ſtill impart.
QVickly come O my people deare,
and worſhip [8] me alone;
And I will fill you [10] full (ſaith God)
let all falſe Gods be gone.
REad here how hee condemnes them all
for their great [11] wickedneſſe.

And

And shewes what good things they had lost
through [12] their vnthankfulnesse.

82 SEe here how God is said to be
among the [1] Iudges all;
And [2] magistrates, whom Dauid doth
reprooue as partiall.
THen faithfully he bids them deale,
and poore from proud defend:
He stiles them Gods; but plainly sees,
that none of them did mend.
VNto the Lord then Dauid doth
his hearty prayers make:
That he himselfe [8] would iudge the earth,
and causes vndertake.

83 ATrend how Israel people prayes
to be deliuered here,
From all their enemies abroad,
and from [1] those foes were neare.
BEcause that they imagined,
nothing in mind nor thought,
But how the people of the Lord
to ruine might [2] be brought.
CRauing most earnestly of God
that all such [9] cruell foes
Might as before he vs'd to doe
be strucke with stormes and woes.
DEaling so that they might well know
that God is [18] most of might,
And that no power can preuaile
against him in his sight.

84 ENuious men had Dauid driuen
out of his [1] Country geare;
He here desires he might againe
before the [3] Lord appeare.

For

FOr bleſt he counes them that may come
and ſit amongſt the Saints
To ſerue the Lord, he doth bewaile
his owne vniuſt reſtraints.
GReatly he prayſeth all them here,
that walke from ſtrength to ſtrength,
And are not weary till they come
to Gods owne houſe at length.

85 HIs people freed from captiue ſtate,
the Lord corrected ſtill,
Becauſe that they did ſtill tranſgreſſe
his law and holy will.
IN humble wiſe they aske him then
if he would euer frowne,
They pray him for his mercies ſake
to ſhower his fauours downe.
KNowing full well that happineſſe
which he had promiſed,
They reſt in hope, reioyce in heart,
and are much comforted.

86 LOaden with great afflictions,
forſaken eke of all,
The Prophet prayeth feruently,
quite to be freed from thrall.
MAking his moane to God, he doth
his miſeries relate:
Sometime the mercies he receiu'd
in proſperous eſtate.
NOt willing to be ignorant,
to glorifie and feare
The name of God, whereto his heart
he would haue ioyned neare.
OF ſuch as ſought to ſlay his ſoule
and bring him into thrall:

He

He doth complaine, and prayes to be,
deliuer'd from [17] them all.

87 PRomise is made here to the Church
which was in [18] misery,
That God would her restore againe
to greater [2] dignity.

OVallified and blessed so
an happy [4] man is he,
That there among hes members [7] true,
a member true may be.

88 READ here what mone the Prophet makes
and how he doth complaine
Of persecuting [7] enemies,
of anguish, griefe and paine.

SOre troubled as left of God,
without all consolation:
He cals vpon [18] him, striues by faith
against his desperation.

89 THe Prophet here in many words,
Gods couenant [32] doth praise,
Which he [33] with his elect hath made,
in Christ before all dayes.

VNto the Lord he then complaines
of ruine [34] which befell
To Dauids Kingdome, euen to all
his people Israel.

AS if Gods promise had beene broke,
and [39] disanull'd thereby,
He prayeth therefore to be freed
out of his misery.

BVt at the last he mention makes
of mans [48] fraile life and short;
And by Gods promises confirm'd,
he taketh great comfort.

90 Con

90 COme heare the prayer Moſes makes,
in which the Lords [1] great loue,
Which he hath borne vnto his ſaints,
and which they daily proue,
DEclared is, yet mans ſhort life
will not prouoke nor [3] make
Him to be thankfull; nor Gods plagues
will cauſe him ſinne forſake.
EArneſtly Moſes prayes to God,
their hearts to purifie:
And to be [12] mercifull to them,
and their poſteritie.

91 FRom hurt protected are th' eleſt
in euery great [1] tentation:
Who onely put their [2] truſt in God,
he is their [3] ſure ſaluation.
GOds promiſe here is made to all,
that in true [14] loue doe liue;
The Angells muſt attend them here,
and heauen he will them giue.
HE need not feare the peſtilence,
the plague [7] ſhall not come neere
His houſe, and when he calls on God,
he promiſeth to [15] heare.

92 INſpir'd of God [5] the Prophet makes
the Pſalme for Sabbath dayes,
To moue the [7] people all day long
the louing Lord to praiſe.
KIngs Dauid [4] doth reioyce therein,
the wicked haue no wit,
To know that [6] when they flouriſh moſt
they neareſt are [7] the pit.
LEarne here the ſtate [8] of righteous men
who walke in godly wayes,

They

They planted are [15] in Gods owne house,
to celebrate his prayse.

93 MAke how the Prophet prayseth here
the Lords most mighty power
In the [2] creating of this world,
so stable, firme and sure.
NOte how he beateth downe the pride
of all his enemies,
That vp against his Maiesty
rebelliously arise.
OBserue his lawes and test'monies
giuen to his people deare:
Obserue what doth become Gods house,
euen holinesse and feare.

94 PRoud tyrants with great violence
against the iust do rage;
The Prophet [1] prayeth feruently
their [2] malice to asswage.
QVickly that God would punish them
he prayes, and yet [16] before
He warnes them of his plagues, that they
might feare and sinne no more.
REcording Gods [9] good prouidence
the blessednesse he shewes
Of those that are maliciously
afflicted by their foes.
SVre shelter from the Lord they find,
their troubles [16] end in ioy,
Whereas the wicked go to wracke,
the Lord will [13] them destroy.

95 THe Prophet Dauid here exhorts
all men to [1] praise the Lord,
Both for his goodnesse and his power
in [4] gouerning the world.

VNto his name all praise due
because his [4] Church he chose
To be his owne peculiar flocke
which he defends from foes.
AN admonition then he gives
that they should not be bold
To follow the rebellion
of their forefathers old.
BEcause that their rebellion,
and tempting [11] dearly cost
The fruitfull land of Canaan
they thereby lewdly lost.
96 CHrists Gospell was to be reueal'd
to Iewes and Gentiles all,
The Prophet therefore stirs them vp
his mercies to extoll,
DEclaring that sith this is done
against their [4] expectation
After his will they should him serue,
not their [5] imagination.
EXceeding vaine all Idols are,
to God all praise is due;
He comes to [13] iudge most righteously
his iudgments all are true.
97 FOr Christ his Kingdome and comming
by Gospell [1] Preachers voyce,
The Prophet bids all sorts of men
to triumph and reioyce.
GReat dread and terror he doth bring
to all the wicked [7] rout,
His furious fire [3] goes him before,
and burnes them round about.
HE ioyfull tidings brings to those
that seeke to [8] doe his will,

Whom he exhorteth earnestly
to loue and [10] feare him still.

IN like sort he exhorts the iust
in God for to reioyce,
To thanke him for his benefits
with hearty cheerfull voyce.

98 KNowing the Lords most mighty power,
and workes of glorious fame [1]
Dauid exhorts [1] all creatures
to magnifie his name.

LOuing his Church, in dangers great
he [3] doth it still assist,
He keepeth faith and promise made
to vs in Iesus Christ.

MOst kindly he communicates
his graces [3] and saluation
To all beleeuers in the world,
of euery land [3] and nation.

99 NOte how the power and equity
is praysed here [1] againe
Of Gods Kingdome, by Iesus Christ
our blessed [3] Sauiours raigne

OVer both Iewes and Gentiles all,
whom he doth here prouoke
To praise his name, and to submit
to his most easie yoake.

PErswading them to imitate
their fathers liuing well,
As Moses, Aaron, and the like,
with godly Samuel.

OVestionlesse to call on God
they alwayes had regard,
and in the prayers [8] which they made
they graciously were heard.

100 Right

100 RIght cheerfully to sing and praise,
and serue the liuing [1] Lord,
The Prophet Dauid bids all men
that liue here in this world.
SEeing he did vs make and choose
to be his people deare;
And kept [2] vs from our enemies,
and freed vs from all feare.
THat we into his gates and courts
might enter [4] in alwayes,
And for his lasting [5] mercies might
afford him lasting praise.

101 VNto the Lord good Dauid will
Mercy and Iudgment sing;
Shewing what order he will keepe,
when he shall rule as King.
AN vpright man euen in his house,
he promiseth to be,
All workers of iniquity
he well chastis'd will see.
BVt vpright men that faithfull are,
who godly liue and well,
He will regard and cherish still,
such men with him shall dwell.

102 CAptiues and all afflicted ones,
this Psalme doth teach to [1] pray
That God [2] would helpe them in distresse,
and take their plagues away.
DOwne from the highest heauens he sees
the Churches [15] desolation:
And in due [13] time doth send his helpe
both ayde and consolation.
EXcit'd thereby are his saints,
to [16] publish all abroad,

Euen vnto all posteritie
the praises of the Lord

FOr gathering the Gentiles Church
from [12] infidelity.
And for establishing his Church
in [18] firme felicity.

103 GOds mercies he doth magnifie
and still prouoketh all
To praise his name who pardons sinne
when men for [1] mercy call.

HIs sinnes (he saith) he pardoned
and sau'd him from [3] destruction;
He gaue him store of [5] earthly things
with [7] soule sauing instruction.

IN louing sort as fathers deare
doe with their [13] children deale,
So God his mercies manifold
to his doth [17] still reueale.

KNow here the [14] frailtie of mans life,
his dayes like [15] grasse and flowers;
But vnto [17] them that feare the Lord
his mercy [18] still endures.

LOe how the Angels are stir'd vp
to praise the [20] liuing Lord,
Marke how his [21] seruants and himselfe
therein [22] doe all accord.

104 MOst excellently in this Psalme
the Prophet [1] doth set forth
Gods making of this world so wide,
with all his [2] workes of worth.

NOte how he stirreth vp his soule
to [1] magnifie his name,
For his admired [14] prouidence
in gouerning the same.

Obserue

OBserue how Dauid here doth pray
against the wicked traine,
Who are the cause [33] why God from vs
his blessings doth detaine.

105 PSalmes of thanksgiuing Dauid bids
all people here to sing
Vnto the [1] Lord, and for his loue
to feare him as their King.

QVickly to seek him in his workes,
and to remember well
His loue, his care, and prouidence
ouer all Israel.

REcord his care of [7] Abraham,
and further vnderstand
His loue to [8] Ioseph and Iacob,
declar'd in Ægypt land.

SEe also ouer Moses mild
his [26] prouidence and care,
By whom his people Israell
from bondage freed were:

THen see how through the Wilderneſſe
they were by Moses led,
And how full forty yeares [40] from heauen
the were with Manna fed.

VNtill they came to Canaan
that fruitfull [44] promis'd land,
These things and more thou in this Psalme
may'st fully vnderstand.

106 ATtend [1] how that the Psalmist doth
exhort all men to prayse
The Lord for all his mercies great,
which doe endure alwayes.

BOuntefully [5] he blest the iust,
who made their supplication

To be againe brought to their land
by his kind visitation.

CAlling to mind the wonders great,
which [7] were in Ægypt wrought'
The peoples [13] great ingratitude
is to rehearsall brought.

DEuoutly they pray to be brought
the Heathens from among,
That they might in their countrey praise
the Lord with heart and tongue.

107 EXhorted by the Prophet here
are all both young [1] and old,
That are redeemed by the Lord,
and [2] brought to his sheepfold,

FOr many mercies to giue thankes
for his [9] good prouidence,
Who ruleth all things; and is still
his Childrens sure defence.

GOod things and ill he sends to men,
that he might winne them so;
Prosperitie, [10] aduersitie,
he sends both wealth and woe.

HEreat as good and vpright men
shall ioy and much reioyce,
Soe shall [12] all ill mens mouthes be stopt,
not muttering any voyce.

108 IN this Psalme these things [16] are contain'd
first Dauid [1] doth accord,
With heart prepared and with tongue,
to praise the [3] Luing Lord.

KNowing his promise to be sure
concerning [7] Israel,
That he should be the King thereof,
and other [8] kingdomes quell.

Learne

LEarne, that although God for a time
his children [11] seeme to hate,
Yet will he fight [12] against his foes,
and ruinate their state.

109 MAliciously good Dauid was
accused [1] vnto Saul
By flatterers; [2] he prayes that God
would kill such enemies all.

NOw here of Iudas he doth speake,
who Iesus [8] did betray,
And eke of all such traytrous foes
that would Gods people slay.

OBserue that Dauid so desires
to be set free from thrall,
That euen [17] his enemies might know
that God doth worke it all.

PRaises he then will giue to God
not onely priuately,
But euen [30] among the multitude,
and people publikely.

110 QVickned and much inlightned
with sp'rit of Prophecy,
Of Christ, our Prophet, Priest and King
Dauid doth testifie.

REad how Herod of his great power
from Sion [2] forth is sent,
Read how the Lord an oath hath made
and neuer will repent.

SEe how of Leuies Priesthood here
a finall end is [4] made,
See how that Christ our [5] king shall rule,
whole Kingdome shall not fade.

111 THe Psalmist stirreth all men vp
by his [1] example rare,

To praise the Lord for his [a] great workes,
and for his loue and care

VNto his Church and children shewd
whom he [b] doth still maintaine
With all things fitting for this life,
and which may [c] soules sustaine.

AND then he doth declare wherein
true wisdome [d] doth consist,
In fearing [e] God, obedience,
and faith in Iesus Christ.

112 BLest is that man (the Psalmist saith)
that doth [f] Iehouah feare,
Who doth delight in Godlinesse,
to whom his [g] lawes are deare.

CVrst is the state of all those men
that doe contemne the same,
They shall be grieued at the good,
and melt away with shame.

DAuid doth here expresly proue
great gaine in godlinesse,
And of this life and that to come
to [h] haue the promises.

113 EXceeding earnest Dauid is
to stirre vp [i] our dull sense
To magnifie the name of God
for his good [k] prouidence.

FOr that he workes quite contrary
to natures course and order,
In sauing of the Church from harme
in euery land and border.

GOD made vs for that very end
that we his name should praise,
Who makes the barren women beare,
and poore mans state doth raise.

114 HEare how the Israelites were brought
from out of Ægypt [1] land;
Obserue the wonders that were wrought
by great Iehouahs hand.
IN that the Sea in Iordan fled,
and [2] Mountaines skipt like Rammes;
The Rocke gaue water, earth did quake,
the Hils did leape like Lambes.
KNow therefore that we are to keepe
Gods loue in memorie,
Who when the course of nature failes
p. eserues miraculously.

115 LEarne how the Church doth beg of God
for [1] honour of his name
To be preseru'd, and Tyrants all
to be destroy'd [2] with shame.
MOlested by Idolaters
they helpe and succour craue,
And trust in God most constantly
that they his helpe shall haue,
NOt doubting thereof at their need,
sith he hath them redeem'd,
And as adopted sonnes receiu'd,
and fatherly esteem'd.
OHow the godly are stir'd vp
to trust in [11] God their shield,
Who gaue the earth to sonnes of men,
and blessings dayly yeeld.
PRomise is made that they will praise
his name for euermore
If he will free [17] them from their foes,
and them to peace restore.

116 QVite freed from danger and distresse
when cruell Saul oppreſt,

Dauid doth magnifie the Lord,
who gaue him [c] peace and rest.

REsolu'd he is to yeeld to him
the sacrifice [17] of praise,
To walke [2] with him, to pay [14] his vowes,
to worship [13] him alwayes.

SEe here the care Iehouah hath
of all that doe him feare;
Their death is precious [15] in his sight,
as of his Saints most deare.

117 THe Prophet Dauid here exhorts
the Gentiles to accord,
And all the people of the [1] world
to praise the highest Lord.

VNto them all as well as to
his people Israel,
The promise [2] made of life in Christ,
fulfilled is right well.

118 A Long time Dauid (tipe of Christ)
was of King Saul reiected,
As also of his people all,
he was no whit respected.

BVt at the time which God had set,
he was made Isi'els King,
For which he bids all fearing God,
all thankfull praises sing.

CHrist Iesus King, and his kingdome,
is vnder Dauid here
(Who was refused of his owne)
made manifest and cleare.

119 DAuid distressed grieuously,
doth comfort much his minde
With this same Psalme, and shewes wherein
men blessednesse [1] may finde.

Eves

EVen in the ſtudy of Gods will,
in doing of the ſame:
In faith and confidence in God,
who ſaues [6] all ſuch from ſhame.

FVlly to be inform'd therein,
of God he doth [12] require;
And to be kept from ghoſtly foes
he humbly doth deſire.

GReat hinderance [107] he met withall,
his fleſh, the world, and ſinne,
He prayes for grace whereby he may
no longer liue therein.

HEe being conſcious to himſelfe,
of life well led before,
And of the goodneſſe of his cauſe,
Gods fauour doth implore.

IN faith he then commends to God
the whole adminiſtration
Of future life to Gods glory,
and to his owne ſaluation.

KNow that the Pſalmiſt here exhorts
all men their [1] liues to frame
According to the [2] Word of God,
and ſo be ſafe from ſhame.

LEarne here wherein his ſeruice true,
and worſhip [11] part doth lye,
When as we ſeruе him as he bids,
not as we fantaſie.

120 MArke here the Prayer Dauid makes
when he was vexed ſore
By falſe reports of flatterers,
whereof King Saul had ſtore.

NO ſmall complaint and meane he make,
that Saul did him compell,

In

In Meſheck and the Kedar tents
with infidels to dwell.

OBſerue what he by Meſheck meanes
whereof he maketh mention,
Euen Iſraelites who now were full
of [7] hatred and contention.

121 PEruſe this Dauids Pſalme, for it
doth teach [1] Gods people all,
That onely from the God of power
they ought [2] for helpe to call.

QVite deſtitute of humane helpe
his [4] Chuch he ſafely keepes,
And all the members of the ſame,
he ſlumbers not nor ſleepes.

READ Dauids conflict in diſtreſſe,
and how [2] he doth declare
His truſt in [3] God, how he commits
himſelfe to his good care.

122 SEe here how Dauid comforted
with Churches good eſtate,
In name of all the faithfull flock
his gladneſſe doth relate.

THe ſtate of City, Kingdome, Church
he highly doth commend,
And [7] prayes, that all proſperity
God to them all would ſend.

VNto them all he promiſeth
all good things to procure,
As wealth, [7] and peace, and what thing elſe
ſhould come within his power.

123 A Faithfull praier here is made
by faithfull men oppreſt
By wicked worldlings hating them,
and giuing them vnreſt.

Behold

BEhold they lift their eyes to God,
his [3] grace they doe implore,
That he would ease them of their foes,
who did molest them sore:
COntemning, mocking, scorning them,
vsing them [3] spightfully,
This makes them seeke vnto the Lord,
and for his [4] mercy cry.

124 DEliuered from dangers great
Gods people doe confesse
That they were [1] sau'd not by their force
but by the Lords goodnesse.
EXcept the Lord had saued them,
and stood on their right hand,
They say they [2] had beene quite dispatcht
they had no power to stand.
FOr which deliuerance of theirs
the name of God they praise,
And are [3] assured of his helpe,
and aide in future dayes.

125 GOds loue and care ouer his Church
the Psalmist doth relate,
He sets [1] downe the stabilitie
of their most happy state.
HOw short also their troubles are,
he prayes that [4] God would giue
All goodnesse and prosperity
to them that purely liue.
IN iustice he desires the Lord
to plague the hypocrites,
Who turne aside from puritie,
and in vaine things delight.

126 KNow that this Psalme King Dauid made
when people had return'd

From

From Babylon, where seuenty yeares
as Captiues they had mourn'd,
Like dreamers were these captiues then,
their freedome [1] was most strange.
The heathen were amaz'd thereat
to see so great a change.
MElodious mirth was in their mouthes,
their tongues [2] were fill'd with ioy,
They pray that God would free them still
from thraldome and annoy.

127 NOte that the Psalmist plainly proues
all worldly state's but vaine,
Domesticall, [1] politicall,
except the Lord sustaine.
ON Gods meere prouidence and will
all gouernment depend,
Mens words and purposes are vaine,
if God [2] no blessing lend.
PRudent and pious children,
the Prophet here [3] doth say
Are Gods inheritance, his gift,
and parents [4] ioyfull stay.

128 QVietnesse, peace and blessednesse
the Lord doth neuer giue
To all men, but [1] to those alone
that doe vprightly liue.
READ how such men are blest of God
in labours of their [2] hand,
In wiues and children which like vines,
about their table [3] stand.
SVch men the Lord spiritually
with graces will encrease,
They shall the wealth of [4] Salem see,
and eke on [5] Isr'ells peace.

The

129 THe Pſalmiſt here admoniſheth
Gods Church and children deare,
Although they be afflicted ſore,
yet nought at all to feare.
VNder the croſſe the Church hath beene,
euen from moſt ancient dayes;
Yet by the mighty power of God,
it hath beene ſau'd alwayes.
ALl all the enemies thereof,
for all their pompous ſhew,
Haue all beene ſuddenly deſtroy'd
the Lord hath made them rue.

130 BEhold how Dauid doth profeſſe
his hope 1 in his requeſt,
His patience 2 alſo in his hope
is liuely here expreſt.
CRying to God in deepe diſtreſſe,
in ſorrow, griefe and thrall,
The Lord in mercy heares his ſute,
and frees him from them all.
DIſtreſſed Iſr'el he bids waite
on God in miſery,
He will redeeme his people all,
from all iniquity.

131 ENuious men maliciouſly,
through hatred and diſdaine,
Did ſay, that Dauid proudly ſought
ambitiouſly to 1 raigne:
FOr this cauſe his humility
to God he doth proteſt;
And then 2 exhorteth Iſrael,
in God to hope and reſt.

132 GRounded vpon Gods promiſe made
to Dauid godly 1 King,

The

The faithfull pray to God that he
the same to passe: would bring.

HEre Dauids great and godly zeale
to build: Gods Temple marke,
Marke also his religious care
in setting of the Arke.
IN the remouing of the Arke
here Dauids prayer read,
He doth repeat Gods promises
to him and to his seed.

133 KIng Dauid plainly here sets downe
the praise and commendation,
And eke the benefit that comes
by Christian conuersation.
LIkening the loue of Bretheren
to oyntment in this place,
Euen that which signifies to vs,
our head Christ oyle of grace.
MOunt Hermons dew this loue is like
on Sion which did fall,
Who liue in loue and concord thus
the Lord doth blesse them all.

134 NOw Dauid bids the Leuites all
that in Gods house attend
To praise the Lord, because they were
appointed for that end.
OBserue their charge, which was, that they
the Temple well should keepe,
And also should both pray and praise
by night when others sleepe.
POwer they had and charge to praise
the Lord for his goodnesse:
Power they had, and charge likewise
the people for to blesse.

135 Quick-

135 QVickned to praise the name of God
all faithfull people are
Of all estates, [2] both for his power,
and [8] for his iudgements rare.

REcorded is his mercy great
to Iacob his elect,
To Israell [4] his people deare,
whom he did most respect.

SEe how the heathenish Idols all
the Prophet in this place
As vanities doth vilifie,
and worthily disgrace.

THen he againe exhorts all men
Gods name to praise and blesse,
Both Israels and Aarons house
for his great bounteousnesse.

136 VNto the Lord all praise to yeeld
for all this [1] worlds creation,
And [9] for the ruling of all things,
read Dauids exhortation.

ACknowledging that we receive
all things from Gods good hand;
The Prophet proueth that therein
our thankes and praise doe stand.

BY his particular mercies
which Israel [15] well knew;
He saith that euerlasting praise
to him from them is due.

137 COme see the Captiues constancy
destroy'd in [1] Babels land,
Their griefe to see Gods truth decay
here maist thou [2] vnderstand.

DAyly they liu'd in anguish great
the Caldees vext so sore

Wit

With taunts, reproaches, [3] mocks and scoffs
and blasphemies great store.
ENduring long these miseries
the Isra'lites desire
That God would plague the [7] Edomites
in his prouoked ire.
FOr ioyning with that Babels brood
in all their [8] cruelties;
Of whose destruction in this Psalme
the Prophet prophesies.

138 GReat courage doth the Prophet vse
in praysing Gods goodnes,
Which he declared vnto him,
and euery day expresse.
HIs goodnesse to him was so great,
that Princes knew the same,
Euen forraine [4] Princes which with him
shall likewise proue the same.
IN time to come he is assur'd
like comforts still to find
As he [6] had done in former times
from his good God so kind.

139 KIng Dauid for to clense his heart
from all hypocrisie,
Doth shew that nothing can be hid
from Gods all seeing eye.
LYing him [3] downe or rising vp,
his [2] thoughts, each deed and word,
Yea all his pathes, his [4] walkes and wayes
are knowne vnto the Lord.
MAn cannot hide himselfe from God,
[5] his hand will [7] find him out;
The darkest night is as noone day
when [1] Sunne shines cleare about.

Note

NOte how he doth confirme all this
by mans most strange creation,
is zeale and feare of [14] God he shewes,
and his great detestation
OF all that vp against the Lord,
maliciously [21] doe rise,
hom he vnfainedly doth hate
as vtter [22] enemies.

40 PEruse how Dauid doth complaine
of many iniuries,
falshood and of cruelty
done by his [3] enemies.
QVickly he hath recourse to God
by prayer and [8] request,
d is assured that the Lord
will [12] grant him peace and rest.
RIghteous then he doth prouoke
due pray'rs to God to yeeld,
d to assure themselues that he
will be their fence and shield.

41 SOre persecuted vnder Saul
good Dauid seemes to be,
d then by prayer vnto God
for succour he doth flee.
THen he desireth God, that he
would bridle his affections,
d giue him patience to endure
his fatherly corrections.
VNtill the time was fully come
when he would vengeance take,
d of his cruell enemies
n vtter riddance make.

42 AN earnest prayer Dauid makes
when he [1] was in the caue,

That

That from the cruell rage of Saul
the Lord his [3] life would saue.

BEhold that neither mou'd with hate,
nor yet amaz'd [5] with feare
Of present death, nor was he forc'd
by any deepe [4] despaire,

CRuelly then to kill his King,
but with a quiet mind
Directs his prayer vnto God
where he doth comfort find.

143. DAuid doth in this Psalme intreat
the Lord most earnestly,
That all his [1] sinnes he would quite blot
out of his memory.

ENuious men most earnestly
did persecute him [2] still,
Yet he confesseth all was done
Gods iustice to fulfill.

FRom all such foes to be set free
he prayeth in this place,
And that the Lord [8] would him restore
to fauour and to grace.

GOds teaching he desires to haue,
and Holy Ghosts direction,
That he may lead a godly [10] life,
safe vnder his protection.

144 HEre Dauid with humility,
and with a heart most sound
Doth prayse the Lord omnipotent
for fauour [2] which he found.

IN being his deliuerer,
his fortresse and his shield,
In granting him the victorie
of all his foes in field.

Keep

KEeping him safe, and placing him
in royall dignities,
e craues [5] Gods aid, and that he would
destroy his enemies.

LArge promises to God he makes
that he [9] will still confesse
With Psalmes and songs of thankes and praise,
his bountifull goodnesse,

MArke wherein true felicity,
and happinesse doth rest,
Who haue Iehouah for their God
most happy are and blest.

45 NOte that King Dauid then doth make
this worthy Psalme of praise,
When as his Kingdome flourished
in his most happy dayes.

OBserue how herein he describes
Gods prouidence on [2] earth
ruling man, and all things else
that hath or wanteth breath.

PRaising his name, because iustly
he plagues the [17] wicked traine,
But to the iust doth euermore
a louing God [20] remaine.

QVickned herewith he promised
that he would praise his name,
And that all flesh for euermore
should likewise doe the same.

46 ROuzing vp his affections,
the Prophet [1] doth declare
The zeale he had to prayse the Lord
for his great [2] loue and care.

Sing praises during life he will;
he teacheth [3] not to trust

In

In Princes nor in ſonnes of men,
who quickly 4 turne to duſt.
TRuſt onely in the Lord ſaith he,
who ſets th' oppreſſed free;
Who 4 comfors widdowes, fatherleſſe,
and all in miſery.
VNto the blind 7 who giueth ſight,
who ſtroyes the wicked traine;
Who for the ſauing of his Church,
for euermore ſhall raigne.

147 A Pſalme of praiſe here Dauid makes,
wherein he doth declare
Gods wiſedome, power and prouidence,
vpon all things that are.
BVt ſpecially vpon his Church,
which cannot be deſtroy'd;
For he doth build it, though thereof
ſome members be annoy'd.
COllecting the diſperſed ones,
healing the 3 broken hearts;
Feeding the Rauens when they cry,
much more all true conuerts.
DEclaring to his choſen folke
the word of his 19 ſaluation,
A bleſſing which he hath not giuen
to men of euery nation.

148 EXhorted are all creatures here,
to prayſe the Lord 1 of might,
Angells in heauen, men on the earth,
and ſtarres 3 that ſhine ſo bright.
FOr he 5 created them of nought,
but more eſpecially,
The Pſalmiſt doth prouoke his Church
his name to 13 magnifie.

Giuing his people Iſrael,
great power and [14] dignity,
When he had ioyn'd them to himſelfe,
in leagues of amity.

149 HEre Dauid doth exhort Gods Church
and children, to prepare
Their hearts to ſing new [1] ſongs to God
for many bleſſings rare.
IOyfull he bids his ſaints to be,
and that with one [1] accord,
For conquering their [4] enemies,
they ſtill ſhould praiſe the Lord.
KIngs being enemies to them,
ſhall all be bound in [8] chaines,
And Noblemen in Iron bands,
ſuch foes the Lord reſtraines.

150 LEarne laſtly how the Prophet bids
all men the Lord to prayſe,
Without all intermiſſion,
and by all meanes and wayes.
MOſt mighty acts and wondrous workes
wrought both by ſea [1] and land,
In heauen and in the firmament,
doe craue this at our hand.
NOte that with ſound of inſtruments,
(which God of old requir'd)
He bids them praiſe him, though (ſince Chriſt)
ſuch are not ſo admir'd.

PROVERBS.

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Chapt. *An. Mund.*

1 ATtend vnto the [1] Prouerbs vse,
feare God, [2] beleeue his word:
Inticing sinners all anoyd,
them [10] no consent afford.

BY Wisedome here complaint [20] is made
that shee's despis'd of all:
And therefore when they [28] cry for helpe,
she will not heare their call.

2 CRy for [3] knowledge, as siluer seeke
for [4] heauenly wisedomes skill,
This will thee keepe in holy [8] wayes
and will preserue thee still.

DIscretion saues from wicked [12] men
and whorish [16] womens wayes:
The vpright shall [21] dweil in the land,
the wicked [22] God destroyes.

3 EXhorting to [1] obedience,
faith [5]; [7] dying vnto sinne:

To [11] patience, [9] deuotion,
then Solomon doth begin
For to declare the benefit
of [12] wisdomes happy gaine,
He bids vs [27] giue, [30] loue, be [31] content,
iust [33] blest, the wicked's bane.

4 GOod doctrine did my [3] Parents [4] teach,
they bade [5] me wisedome get,
To shun [14] the bad, to keepe [23] my heart,
their precept not forget.

5 HOny [3], and [4] worme wood harlots are,
their steps take hold [5] of hell:
Sinne [22] sinners slayes; be thou [15] content
with [18] thine [19] owne wife to dwell.

6 IDlenesse [6], mischiefe [12], suretiship
are here by him reprou'd:
Of primire learne; the law is light:
seauen things God neuer lou'd.

Keepe [20] Parents lore, and then the Lord
with [25] blessings [23] will thee fill:
Adulterer wastes body and [26] goods,
yea his owne [32] soule doth kill.

7 LAy vp my [1] wisdome, marke, [10] abhorre
the cunning sleights of whores,
Young fooles [21] they doe seduce and [33] kill;
ô come not [27] neere their doores.

8 MArke [1] wisedomes [2] fame and [6] euidence,
her [13] nature, [18] riches, [15] power,
Her [10] excellence, which [22] was of old,
and shall for aye endure.

NO gold [11] nor rubies like to her,
they blest [34] that loue her waies:
Who hate her, hate their owne poore [36] soules:
God will cut off their dayes.

9 OF [1] wisdomes lore and [4] discipline,
she heauenly [10] things doth tell:
Th' adultresse saith stolne [17] things are sweet
her guests are [18] deepe in hell.

10 PRaters [2] shall fall: of foolish [3] sonne:
of [2] treasures badly got;
Of summer [5] sleepers; [11] hatred, [9] fraud:
the iust [3] lie pineth not.

QVarrelling [11] tongue; rod for [13] the foole;
in many [9] words are sinne:
The [16] sluggard sent; the righteous [18] hope,
who still [13] Gods fauour winne.

ROt shall the [7] name of sinfull men;
Gods blessing [22] maketh rich:
Sinne is a sport [25] to wicked fooles;
al curses [15] promist filth.

11 SHame [2] follows pride: false [1] weights abhord:
in wrath no [4] wealth will saue:
The [7] wicked hopelesse: iust are [8] blest:
an hypocrite [9] doth raue.

THe [26] froward hated: suretie [15] smart:
tale-bearers all [13] will tell:
Counsellers [14] saue: faire [22] women vaine:
he blest [24] that giueth well.

VNto the wicked [27] mischieses come:
who winneth [30] soules is wise:
Cornhorders curst: who trusts in wealth
[28] shall fall and neuer rise.

12 A Good man gets Gods [2] fauour still;
who hates [1] reproofe's a beast:
Good women are their [4] husbands crowne;
the iust [7] not mou'd from peace.

BY tilth a man is [11] satisfied:
the iust his [10] beast regards.

The

The wicked snared by his [15] words:
God painfull [25] hands rewards.
CAre makes the heart of man [16] to stoop:
in righteous [8] wayes is life:
True dealers [22] are the Lords delight;
the bad [6] are full of strife.

13 DEstruction to the [5] wide-mouth'd man:
wise sonne his [1] father heares:
The [4] sluggard wants; the [5] just hate lyes:
deferred [2] hope brings teares.
EVery [16] wise man wisely deales:
some rich will [7] not bee [6] so:
The wickeds lampe shall be [9] put out:
the law [14] preserues from woe.
FAithfull [17] messengers bring men health;
the Word despisers [13] [17]stroy'd:
A death to [19] sinners, sinne to leave;
their wealth by [22] just enioy'd.
GReat ills pursue the [21] wicked man:
the rod thou [13] must not spare:
The poore mans tillage brings him [23] food:
the just right [25] well shall fare.

14 HE feareth God that [2] walkes vpright;
wise wife her [1] house doth build;
A rod of pride in [3] foolish mouth;
great plenty [4] Oxen yeeld.
IN laughter oft times [13] hearts are sad;
false [9] witnesse vtter lyes;
Knowledge not hard to prudent men;
goe from the [7] man vnwise.
KNowledge doth crowne [18] the prudent man;
the house of good [11] men blest;
Wayes seeming good, oft [12] wayes of death:
Kings power in [28] people rest.

Life of the flesh a [30] sound heart is;
fooles [9] make a mock of sinne:
Backsliders fall'n in their [14] owne wayes;
bad [17] musers hatred win.

Many a friend the rich [21] man hath;
who's slow to [29] wrath is wise:
Gods feare preserues from [27] snares of death;
bones rot where [30] enuy lies.

15 NO ill or good, but [3] God beholds;
soft answer [1] wrath remoues:
Wise tongues doe vse their [2] knowledge right;
he's wise that [5] takes reproofes.

Of righteous house where [6] treasure is:
of wickeds [8] sacrifice:
Of meales of herbs (where [17] loue is) heare
what waies [9] God doth despise.

Proud mans dwelling [25] God will destroy:
the wrathfull stirs [18] vp strife:
Of sloathfull [19] men: words in [23] season:
the wise heare checks of life.

Vice from the [29] wicked God's remou'd;
the humble [33] honoureth hee;
The vpright [8] prayers, his delight:
with [13] grieue hearts broken be.

16 REserre thy workes [3] vnto the Lord,
he thoughts and [1] words directs:
The wicked made [4] for day of euill;
he proud in heart [5] corrects.

STeps God [9] directs: ill purg'd by [6] truth:
by Gods feare we leaue sinne:
When we please God, our foes are friends;
iust lips Kings [13] fauour winne.

TRue weights [11] are Gods; Kings wrath [14] as
pride goes before [18] a fall. (death:

Happy

Happy is he who [20] truſts in God,
wiſe heart we prudent call.
VNgodly lips as [27] burning fire;
wiſperers [28] ſunder friends:
Gray head a [31] crowne; lot's rul'd by God,
thereby contention ends. *Chap.* 18.18.

17 A Morſell [1] better then good cheare:
wiſe ſeruant rules the ſonne:
Who mocks the [9] poore, reprocheth God;
bad hearts [20] and tongues vndone.
BEware of [14] ſtrife: a precious [8] gift:
who hides [9] a fault is lou'd:
No ſtripes will win a foole; the [10] wiſe
with words will be reprou'd.
COunted for [28] wiſe, is ſilent foole,
as phyſick, [22] cheariull heart:
Who frees the bad, [15] the Lord abhors:
the ſurety [18] ſure ſhall ſmart.

18 DEſtruction alwayes [13] followes pride:
fooles will not vnderſtand:
The ſloathfull as a great waſter:
God is our [10] tower at hand.
EVen before Princes gifts [16] will bring;
heart [14] wounded who can beare?
Lot ends [18] contentions; ſome friends loue,
more then [24] doe brothers deare.
FIuding good wife, thou [22] find'ſt Gods loue:
the poore [23] intreaty makes:
A brother angred, [10] hard to winne;
the prudent [25] knowledge takes.

19 GOod (without knowledge) [2] ſoule is not;
wealth ſtore of [4] friends will win:
Both lyer, and falſe [5] witneſſe plagu'd:
poore hated of [7] their kin.

HE loues his ſoule that [8] wiſdome gets:
Kings wrath [12] like Lyons roare:
Great glory to [11] paſſe by offence;
for the idle [15] hunger ſore.
IVdgments prepar'd [25] for ſcorners all:
good wife is from [14] the Lord:
Who pitties poore, God [17] will repay:
correction [18] ſhame afford.
KEepe thou the law and keepe [16] thy ſoule:
the ſloathfull hides [24] his hand:
Bad teaching [27] heare not, ſcorners [25] ſmite,
ſimple will vnderſtand.
20 LOue not [13] much ſleepe, be no deceiu'd
with raging [1] drinke and wine:
A King [2] prouoke not; ceaſe from [3] ſtrife:
the faithfull [8] hard to find.
MAke warre with [18] counſell: [4] ſluggards beg:
their bounty moſt [4] proclume:
Weights diuers God [10] abominates,
whoſe heart is pure from blame?
NO eare nor eye but God [12] hath made:
a child's knowne [11] by his deeds:
The lips of knowledge [15] precious pearles:
ſtripes [30] reformation breeds
OEat not that [13] which holy is:
a ſurreties [16] garment take:
Lands got in haſt, in [21] th' end are curſt;
all flatterers forſake.
PLagu'd ſhall the Parents [20] curſer be:
reuenge [22] not; young mens [29] praiſe:
Gray head doth grace; Kings throne preſeru'd
by [28] mercy and truth alwaies.
21 QVite deſtroy'd ſhall the [7] robbers be:
Kings heart the Lord [1] doth guide:

Hee

He ponders [2] hearts: high looks [4] are sinne:
by gifts [14] wrath's pacifi'de.
Right are the [8] workes of righteous men:
goods got by lyes [6] bring death:
Iustice more [3] lik't then sacrifice;
woes wicked [15] worker hath.
Sore dwelling with a brawling [19] wife:
none heard that [13] poore despise:
Who erre [16] shall die; fooles waste their [17] wealth:
who keepes [23] his tongue is wise.
Th' vngodly's sacrifice is [27] curst;
he hardens still his [29] face:
No counsell is [30] against the Lord,
he safety giues [31] and grace.

22 VNto the wise, [17] bow eare and heart,
choose chiefly a good [1] name:
The wise foresees, [3] and saues from euill;
strange women [14] bring to shame.
A Child will keepe good [6] lessons taught:
borrowers [7] lenders serue:
Cast out the scorner, [10] strife shall cease,
know [20] that thou must not [21] sweare.
BY rod childs folie's driuen [15] away;
God will oppresses [16] presse:
No [26] surety bee: bid [28] bounds remoue:
laborious God [29] doth blesse.

23 COnsider what's [1] before thee set:
riches will [5] fly away:
The cause of [10] Orphans God [11] will pleade;
fooles care [9] not what you say.
DRunkards and gluttons [21] beggers be:
childs soule from [14] hell set free:
Enuy not [17] sinners, feare thou God:
see Parents [22] honour'd bee.

EVer buy truth, but [23] sell it not:
my sonne giue me [24] thy heart:
For [27] whores, and [28] wine [29] as [30] serpents sting,
from it [35] thou wilt not part.

24 FOoles cannot reach to [22] wisedomes skill;
by knowledge [4] chambers fild:
Enuious lips [3] of mischiefe talke:
saue those [11] neare to be kill'd.

GOD giues according to our [12] workes:
eat honey which is [13] sweet:
Spoyle not the [15] dwelling of the iust:
such fall in [16] mischiefe great.

HE curst that [21] iustifies the bad:
to [22] neighbour doe no harme:
Reuenge [29] not: [33] sluggards quickly [34] poore:
ô [35] husband well [5] thy [32] farme.

25 IT's Gods glory things to [2] conceale;
from siluer [4] drosse remoue:
Hast not to striue, [8] least thou be sham'd:
faithfull [13] messenger loue.

KIngs heart a thing [3] vnsearchable:
thy foe [21] God bids thee feed:
Withdraw thy foot from [17] neighbours house:
vnfaithfull [19] man in need.

LEt not a secret [9] be reueal'd:
of brawling [24] woman heare:
Who cannot rule his spirit's [28] blam'd:
good [35] newes the heart doth cheare.

26 MEssage sent by a [6] foolish man:
a rod for such mans [5] backe,
The curse that's [2] causelesse shall not come:
let fooles their answers [4] lack.

NO honour giue [8] vnto a foole;
the sloathfull [14] sleepes and [15] feares:

Who

Who deales with needleſſe ſtrife's like [17] him
that takes a dog by th' eares.

OF Parables in [7] mouth of fooles
our God [10] rewardeth all:
Beleeue not [25] words of flatterie,
in pits they dig, [27] they fall.

27 PRayſe not [2] thy ſelfe: publike [5] reproofe:
to th' hungry [7] each thing's ſweet:
Sweet friends good [9] counſell comforts much,
hearts [10] anſwer when they meet.

QVicke ſighted [12] men foreſee the euill;
forſake not [14] fathers friends:
Take ſureties [13] garment, brawling [15] ſcold:
fooles folly [22] neuer ends.

RIches for aye doe [24] not endure:
before enuie [4] who ſtands?
Thou know'ſt not what [1] one day may bring,
know all vnder thy hands.

28 SInnes of a land [2] cauſe many Kings:
the wicked [1] cauſeleſſe flee:
The law forſakers praiſe [4] the bad;
poore godly praiſed be.

THe godly all things [5] vnderſtand:
who ſinnes [13] confeſſe find grace:
Th' Vſurer hoords [8] for righteous men:
God will the [18] bad deface.

VPright [10] men all good [20] things poſſeſſe,
great ioy when [11] good men ioy:
His prayers [9] curſt who will not heare:
the wiſe [24] freed from annoy.

A Faithfull man is [20] greatly bleſt,
who tils his land hath [19] ſtore:
With gaine to th' poore [27] ſhall haue no lacke;
[illegible] made poore.

BLood thirsty men the [10] vpright hate;
iust rulers [2] cause great ioy:
The wicked care not [7] for the poore;
stiffe necks [1] God will destroy.

CHild left t' himselfe [15] shall mother shame:
land spoild by taking [4] gifts:
Flatterer traps his [5] neighbours feet:
wise [11] men deferre their drifts.

DEstroy'd are [18] soules where preaching wants,
correction [17] brings delight:
More hope of fooles then hasty men:
mans pride [23] abas'd in sight.

EAch mans [26] iudgment is from the Lord:
the [25] feare of man brings snares:
Partner with thiefe his owne [24] soule hates;
for iust, no [27] vniust cares.

30 FOure wicked generations [11] told:
foure things [24] exceeding wise:
Foure things which neuer will be fild;
foure hard to [18] know their wayes.

GRieuous are all those foure [21] things nam'd;
foure stately things are [29] here,
The meanest are not [10] to be wrong'd:
despise not parents [17] deare.

HEre Agurs [1] word and faith confest,
two things he [7] doth desire;
He mortall; God most [4] glorious:
adde [8] not, preuent [32] thine ire.

31 IT's not for Kings [4] much wine to drinke,
t' women [3] giue not thy mind:
Th' afflicted [6] comfort, [8] and [9] defend:
who shall a good wife find?

KInd to her [12] husband she will be:
laborious [15] day and [13] night:

Shee's

Shee's [20] pittifull, wise, [26] religious:
shee's praisd in all mens sight.

ECCLESIASTES.

Chapt.

1 ALL humane [1] courses are but [2] vaine:
the [4,5,6,7] creatures haue [8] no rest:
All things [9] doe change, in Wisdome's [18] griefe:
I Salomon [12] knew [13] this best.

2 BEtter the wise is [22] then the [13] foole;
yet both haue [14] one euent,
In [3] Wine is [8] workes of most delight,
much precious time I spent.

COncerning which, and worldly [8] wealth
for which men labour most,
(Not [18] knowing who shall be our [19] heire)
all is but griefe of ghost.

DRinke, eat, enioy [24] thy labours fruits
except this, all is [24] vaine:
God giues to sinners wealth, that [26] hee
may giue to his againe.

3 EVery thing his season [1] hath:
reioyce, doe [12] good in life,

Gods

Gods gifts t' enioy our labours & fruits,
all wickednesse is [14]rife.

FRom seats of iustice [15]iudgement's fled:
as beasts [16]so men must dye:
No future things thou canst behold,
when [17]thou full low shalt lye.

4 GReat were th' oppressions comfortlesse:
men enuide for good deeds:
Great [1]idlenesse, [2]couetousnesse,
which much vexation breeds.

HEre's [3]sollitarinesse [4]reprou'd [5],
and old, and wiltull [6]King;
In him the people shall [7]not ioy;
this is a grieuous thing.

5 IN th' house of [1]God addresse to heare,
thy vowes performe and pay:
Th' oppressed poore the Lord [2]regards,
he is higher then they.

KIngs houses serued [3]are by fields;
the greeding ne're content:
The rich are often [4]hurt by wealth;
let thine with ioy [5]be spent.

6 LAcking not wealth, but [1]power to eat,
it is an ill disease:
Vntimely birth, [2]better then age,
or children great increase.

MAn lacking buriall and goodnesse,
mans mind what thing can please?
Sight better is then [3]mans desire,
all hid in [4]mans decease.

7 NO precious oyntment like [1]good name,
wise heart's in [2]house of woe:
The hearts of fooles at merry feasts,
to house [3]of mourning goe.

Oppression

OPpreſſion makes a [7] wiſe man mad;
in fooles heart, [8] wrath doth reſt.
Wiſdome excels [9] inheritance,
by proofe I found [10] it beſt.
PAſt skill of man to ſtraighten [11] that,
which God hath crooked made:
No man on earth that ſinneth [12] not:
a wicked womans [13] trade.
QViet ſpirits are [8] praiſed here.
ſome iuſt in iuſtice [14] periſh:
God at the firſt made man vpright,
ſome wicked long time [15] flouriſh.
8 REgard the Kings [2] commandement;
mans wiſedome makes him ſhine:
Obſerue Gods [16] diuine prouidence;
no man can [8] death decline.
SAints ſore diſtreſt in better [17] caſe:
then wicked [13] proſperous traine:
The workes of God [17] vnſearchable;
here [15] mirth is praiſ'd againe.
9 THe like doth [1] happe to good and bad;
all liuing men muſt dye:
Comfort is all [7] our portion here;
with wife liue [9] ioyfully.
VNlike eſtate to men [18] befall;
Gods prouidence rules all things:
As fiſh, or bird, ſo man [19] is snar'd;
poore wiſe [15] man ſafety brings.
10 AS dead flyes ſpoile the [1] oyntment ſweet,
ſo folly ſpoyles the wiſe:
Princes as ſeruants [7] walke on foot,
when fooles to [6] honour riſe.
BIte thee as ſerpents [20] babblers will;
that land [17] in bleſſed caſe,

Where

Where Kings and Nobles, eate [17] in time
for ſtrength not Drunkennes.
CVrſe not the King in ſecret [20] thought,
through ſloath the [18] houſe doth fall:
At feaſt and wine men merry make,
but money payes for all.
DIrections here [1] for [2] charitie;
where tree [3] falls ther't ſhal be:
Obſeruing clouds [4] men ſhall not [5] cape;
let death [8] remembred be.
EArly and at the [6] euening ſow,
the light's [7] a pleaſant thing:
O youth [9] for all thy ſports, the Lord
will thee to iudgment bring.
12 FEare thy Creator in thy youth,
before thy ſtrength decay;
Before thy body turne to duſt,
and ſoule be fetcht away.
GReat care he hath [9] to edifie
wiſe words as goads and [11] nayles:
Much writing bringeth [12] wearineſſe,
let theſe with thee preuaile.
HEre th' end of all, feare, [13] keepe Gods lawes,
this is the chiefeſt thing:
For euery ſecret worke and [14] word
he will to iudgment bring.

The

THE SONG OF SOLOMON.

Chapt.

The Church of Christ.

1 A Song [1] of songs: ô kisse me (Christ)
thy loue excelleth [2] Wine:
Draw mee, and we will runne to [4] thee:
thou art belou'd of thine.

BLack though [5] I be, yet comely (Lord)
ô tell me [7] where thou feeds,

Christ to his Church.

O fairest feed by [8] shepherds flock:
they're like King [9] Pharaohs steeds.

CHrist giues her gracious promises;
she doth his kindnesse proue:
Both Christ and Church congratulate
in feruent mutuall loue.

Christ.

2 DEare loue of Lillies among [2] thornes,
among the daughters bide:

I am

I am the rose of [1] Sharon sweet,
the Lilie of vallies pride.

The Church.

EVen as among the [2] forrest trees
the Apple tree exceeds;
So doth my loue all other men
excell in worthy deeds:

FRuit of his loue is wondrous sweet,
he said rise [10] come [13] away,
The Summer's [12] come, my Christ is mine,
and I [16] am his for aye.

3 GReat seeking [1] vp and downe for [3] Christ,
the Church [5] preuailes at last.
O wake him [5] not, she ioyes [6] in him,
bids [7] others see and [11] taste.

4 HEre [1] graces [2] of the [3] Church [4] set [5] forth
by bodies [6] beautie [7] braue:
Which so doth [8] rauish Christ, that shee
his perfect loue must haue.
IN calling her to follow him,
is this [9] great loue expreest:
The Church prayes to be fitted for
so great and worthy a guest.

5 KNocking [1], Christ doth the Church [2] awake,
shee doth [3] excuses make:
He then [6] departs, she seekes him still,
and's loue sicke [8] for his sake.
LO here by [10] comely [11] corporall [12] parts,
most [14] louely to behold:
Christ Iesus with his graces all,
by Solomon are told.

The Churches friends.

6 MAke knowne where thy [1] beloued is;
we will him seeke with thee.

The Church.

To gather Lillies, and to feed
[1] in gardens gone is he.
NOw I am his, and he is mine,
ô thou art passing faire:
As Tirza and [4] Ierusalem,
as flock of [5] Goates, thine haire.

Christ.

O Pure and [6] vndefiled Doue,
like banners warlike [7] to fright:
I want to see how Vines [11] did bud:
returne [15] ô Shunamite.
7 PRinces daughter th' art beautifull,
like Iewels are thy ioynts,
Thy [2] nauell, belly, [3] breasts, and [4] necke,
and perfect in all [5] points.
QVickly let vs goe see the [12] Vine,
there shalt thou tast and proue
The pleasant fruits [13] laid vp for thee:
there I will giue my loue.

The Church.

8 REspected much, ô that thou wert
euen as my brother deare,
Thee would I bring to mothers house,
to drinke spic'd [3] liquor there.
SEt me as [6] seale vpon thy heart,
Loue is as coales of fire:
One little sister [12] wee will build:
vineyard [11] let out to hire.
THou that in those sweet gardens dwellst,
thy fellowes heare thy voyce.
Cause mee [13] to heare, make hast (ô Christ)
then shall our hearts reioyce.

Isaiah

ISAIAH.

Chapt.

1 AH sinfull [4] nation, worse then [5] beasts,
your seruice [12] who requires?
Cease [16] from your sinnes; relieue [17] the poore,
accomplish my desires.
BE godly and your scarlet [18] sinnes
shall cleane be washt away;
But God will curse and kill [20] you all,
if you will not obey.
CRuell, filthy, and treacherous, [21] are they
that once were pure and iust.
But I will purely purge [25] away
thy drosse, thy tinne, thy rust.
DIscerning [26] Iudges I will giue,
they shall thee faithfull call;
But sinners that forsake the Lord
shall [28] be confounded all.
2 EXalt shall God his glorious [2] house,
thereto shall nations flow;
Come let's goe vp, He will [3] vs teach
his waies and paths to know.

For

FOr out of Sion goes the Law,
from [3] Salem goes his Word,
Of ſpeares ſhall pruning [4] hookes be made,
and Plow-ſhares of their ſwords.

GReat ſinnes (as Eaſterne manners ſtore)
and when man Idols [8] makes;
When great and [9] meane men bow themſelues
are [6] cauſe why God forſakes.

HAughtie and proud, God will [11] pulldowne,
the Idols [18] caſt away:
Men ſhall for feare fly to the [19] Rocks
in that his [21] dreadfull day.

3 IN Iuda for their grieuous [1] ſinnes
the Lord did take away
The ſtaffe of bread, their [3] counſellers,
and all their chiefeſt ſtay.

Kings ſhall be [4] children; babes and baſe
ſhall [5] proudly them behaue
Againſt their Elders, men ſhall ſweare
that they no maint'nance [7] haue.

LEwd tongues and [8] deedes procure this fall;
they ſhameleſſe [9] ſinnes declare:
Woe to their ſoules; but tell the iuſt
that they [18] full well ſhall fare.

MY people are by women rul'd,
children oppreſſe them [12] ſore,
Their women are [16] exceeding proud,
woe, [17] woe [24] to them [26] therefore.

4 NOw women ſeu'n one man [1] deſire
to take away their ſhame:
Gods glorious [2] Branch, the iuſt [5] are bleſt
who liue to praiſe his name.

OF Zion daughters, when the filth
the [4] Lord ſhall waſh away,

And

And [4] blood; then he will [5] be to his
their shelter, [4] strength and stay.

5 A rable of a vineyard [1] make,
whereby he [3] doth excuse
His seuere [4] iudgments brought on [5] them,
who did no [6] sinne refuse.

Q Vaking iudgments are threatened
to greedy misers all,
To [7] drunkards, [12] wantons, [18] ignorants,
in hell fire must [14] they fall.

R Enewed woes to them that say
good's [15] ill, and darknesse, light,
Who cleares the wicked for [23] reward
such God will sore affright.

S Ith they cast off the [24] law of God,
and did despise his word;
He sends [26] vpon them furious foes,
who slew them with the sword.

6 T He Lord by [1] vision [2] glorious [3]
confirmes [4] the [8] Prophet so;
(Though [5] first affraid) that cheerfully
on's [8] message he doth goe.

V Pon his mouth the [7] coale was laid,
his sinnes were purg'd away,
God bids him goe then to his folke,
and [9] tels him what to say:

A Ll hearts [10] make fat, eares, eyes shut vp
till Cities [11] all be burnt;
Vntill the [12] land be desolate
a tenth [13] yet shall returne.

7 B Rought in great feare is Ahaz King
when Peka 'gainst him rose:
The Prophet Isay comforts him,
and bids him feare not those.

Christ

CHrist promised in stead of [14] signe,
which Ahaz had [12] refus'd
Th' Assyrians [17] shall destroy the [18] Land;
by [10] saving men abus'd.

8 DAmascus [1] and Samaria,
Iudea th' Assyrians spoile.
Sweet Shilo waters were [7] refus'd,
which caus'd their bloody [8] broyle.
ENdeauour (ô Assyrians)
and [9] gather all your rout,
Gird vp your selues, prepare for warre,
but God [10] will root you out.
FEare [11] not their feare, God is [10] with vs
let him be [13] fear'd alone
To vs hee'll be a [14] sanctuary.
to them a [15] stumbling stone.
GOds lawes seale vp amoung [16] his owne
were wonders in [18] his sight;
Who speake not as the [10] word doth speake,
In him there is no light.

9 HEre by [1] the birth and power of [6] Christ
shall be [5] great ioy in [8] woe;
Thou break'st their [4] yoakes, their staues, and rods,
and [6] frees them from their foe.
IEsus Christ here is borne to vs
the mighty God of [9] peace,
With iustice he shall iudge his folke,
no end of his [7] increase.
KIcking [8] against the shining light,
God [9] plagueth [9] Israel sore
For pride and for [13] Hypocrisie
increased more and [17] more.
LEwd Leaders make the people [16] sinne,
no man shall [19] spare his brother:

Manasseth

Manasseth Iudah and Ephrim
each one deuour the other.

10 MVch woe to [1] tyrants threatned here
that by their lawes oppresse,
Denying [2] right to widdowes poore,
and [3] robbing fatherlesse.

NO helpe but from the [4] Lord alone,
ô Ashur [5] woe to thee
When thou hast whipt the [6] hypocrites,
thou whipt and burnt shalt bee:

OF thy [12] stout hearts and lofty lookes
(who [7] vaunt'st of thy [8] strength,
As if that thou [11] hadst done the deed)
he'll [12] vengeance take at length.

PVt feares [21] away, ô people deare,
a remnant [21] shall returne:
Thou shalt be freed from [26] all thy foes,
whom [27] he will ouerturne.

11 QVietly then shall Woolfe and Lambe
together [6] lye and dwell
When Iesse's [4] branch, euen [5] Christ our King
shall raigne in Israel.

RIghteously will he [4] reproue,
and iudge the poore with right,
The earth with [9] knowledge shall be fild,
he iudgeth [3] not by sight.

SEt vp an enfigne [12] then shall he
for Gentiles all about;
And call together all the Iewes
which [12] were before cast out.

THen [13] Iudah and Ephrim louingly
shall ioyne and [14] enemies quell,
The [15] riuers dried, a passage made
for th' rest [16] of Israell.

12 Vnto

12 VNto the Lord then ſhalt thou ſay,
[1] Lord, though thou waſt diſpleaſd,
Yet now thy wrath is turnd away,
and I refreſh't and eaſe.
ALL feare expel'd my truſt [2] ſhall be
in God my ſtrength and ſtay,
My [3] Sauiour, ſweet my thankfull ſong
ſhall praiſe [4] his name alway.
BLeſt be the Lord, let all his workes
of vs exalted be.
O Zion ſaints exult for ioy
IEHOVAH dwels in thee.
13 CAl'd and [2] commanded [3] of the [4] Lord
are armies [5] huge and ſtout,
Howle [6] Babylon the mightie Medes
ſhall root and [17] race the out.
DOlefull creatures (as Satyres [21] owles)
in thee ſhall daunce and ſtand,
As [9] Sodome ſhalt thou be deſtroyed
thy finall fal's at hand.
14 EXceeding mercy God will [1] ſhew
in bringing Iſraell back,
And placing them in their owne [3] land,
no good thing there to lack.
FOr ſeruants ſhalt thou take thy [2] foes,
thy captiues they ſhall bee,
And thou ſhalt rule th' oppreſſors all
that once oppreſſed thee.
GReat [4] triumph [5] ouer Babels [6] King,
whoſe ſcepter now is broke,
For [15] pride the Lord giues him and [22] his
a [19] ſhamefull deadly ſtroke.
HArd burdens, [25] and [24] Aſſyrians yoakes
from his the Lord will take,

Howle

Howle [31] Paleſtina, thou muſt fall,
his, God [32] will not forſake.

15 IN one night, Ait, and [1] Kir were foyld;
howle Moab, weepe, and cry,
Thy Cities [2] ſack't, greene things confirm'd,
and [3] Nimrim water's drie.

KIlling [4], robbing [5], and theiking out
is heard [6] of all thy ſlaine,
Thy riuers, bloody [7] Lyons kill
the remnant that remaine.

16 LEt lambe be ſent [1] to th' worlds ruler;
let out caſt dwell in thee,
The throne of Dauid ſhall in truth,
and mercy [2] ſtabliſh'd bee.

MOab muſt [3] mourne, and howle for pride,
fields languiſh, Vines [4] breake downe:
Moab ſhall pray but not [5] preuaile;
God ſtill on Moab frowne.

17 NO man ſhall fray away the flocks,
in [1] Cities that ſhall feed
Of Syria, Iſrael now [2] forlorne,
as God himſelfe decreed.

OF which a remnant ſhall be [3] left,
that ſhall falſe [4] worſhip [5] ſhunne:
A few like gleaned eares of corne
when [6] harueſt all is done.

PIouſly ſhall theſe holy [7] ones
vnto their Maker looke,
But Altars [8], groues, (workes of their hands)
they ſhall in no caſe brooke.

18 QVite forgetting [10] their glorious God,
their [9] Cities ſhall be ſack't,
But after he will [11] plague their [12] foes
that did them [13] rob and racke.

Roote

ROote out the [1] Æthiopians
God will out of the [2] Land:
Then shall the people Presents bring
to them with plentious hand.

19 SOre [1] plagues for Ægypt God sets downe,
their Idolls [3] cannot saue:
Fierce cruell Kings [4] shall vex them much
they [5] shall no [6] comforts [7] haue,

THeir folly [11] and madnesse here [12] set downe,
of Iudah [17] they 're afraid,
Pure language Cities fiue shall [18] speake,
to God an [19] Altar's made.

VNt Egypt and Assyria [24] the Lord
will now his blessings send,
With Israel his [25] inheritance,
these three he will defend.

20 AS nak'd and barefoot Esay [2] goes,
so shall th' Egyptians goe
And Cushites captiues Ashur [4] King
with terror, shame and woe.

21 BEwailing [3] much the Prophet sees
that Babylon [9] must fall:
Edom derides [11], is bid [12] repent,
th' Arabians [13] foyled all.

22 COmfort me not, the Cities [4] spoyl'd,
the Rulers [5] fled away:
The walls broke downe, the [5] people cry,
O wofull dolefull day.

DIscerning grieuous [8] plagues approach,
they [9] trust to humane [11] strength,
When [12] they should fast, [13] they feast, and ioy
till God did plague [14] at length.

ELiakim [20] (a [22] type of Christ)
is set in Shebnaes [21] place:

Shebna is caried [17] captiue [18] thence,
and dyes in [19] great disgrace.

23 FOr [1] Tyre and [2] Zidon fearefull plagues
are for their [3] pride prepar'd,
Who [13] caried captiues, all their wealth,
among their foes are [11] shar'de.

GOe 'bout the Citie, [16] sing many songs,
God [17] will restore thine heires,
But onely for the good of those
that doe what [18] he desires.

24 HAughtie proud hearts, [4] heard anguish for
all mirth and [5] musick gone
Here [1] dolefull [2] iudgements threatned are
to old and [4] young each one.

INhabitants defile the land
by [5] changing Gods decree,
His curse therefore [6] deuoures the earth,
much [7] woe they [8] feele and see.

KInde is the [14] Lord (shall some few [15] sing)
the Prophets [16] pin'd with paine,
In iudgements God shall be [17] aduanc'd,
and in mount Zion [23] raigne.

25 LOrd who lai'st [3] leuell lofty towers,
and worke'st [1] wondrous things:
Thee will I praise and Nations all
shall of thy iudgements [3] sing.

MOst kind thou hast beene to the [4] poore:
thou wilt [5] bring downe thy foes,
And make a glorious [6] feast for thine;
wipe teares [8] away from those:

NO death shall hurt his holy ones:
he will vs [9] keepe and saue:
Moab (trod downe as dunghill straw:)
shall sure destruction haue.

26 O Trust yee [4] alwaies in the Lord,
for such haue [5] perfect peace;
The lofty [5] Citie he layes low:
to his hath giuen increase.
PReuaile with [10] wicked nothing will:
I haue thee early sought:
For vs thou hast ordained [12] peace;
in vs all goodnesse wrought.
QVickly will they Lord seeke to thee,
when [16] thou dost them chastise
Hide [20] thou thy selfe: God will [21] repay:
the dead shall [19] all arise.

27 REd wine [2] vineyard sing yee to her;
Iehouah in that day
Shall with his sword, Leuiathan
and great Sea Dragon slay.
SAfely will he still [3] keepe his vine,
his owne he doth not [7] smite,
As those that are their enemies,
in loue he [8] doth delight.
THE fruit of their chastising [9] is:
to purge away their sinne,
Their altars, groues, false worships all,
which they haue liued in.
VNto the people (whom he [11] made)
who would not vnderstand,
No fauour shewed, Iewes, [13] Gentiles
shall serue in holy land.

28 A Fading flower thy beautie is,
ô [1] Ephraim drunke with wine:
Thy pride shall vnder [3] foot be trod,
great [3] woes and plagues are thine.
BEautifull crowne and diadem,
to [5] a remnant he shall be

On Iudges, wisdome; souldiers [4] strength,
of grace bestow will he.

CLeane are no [8] tables, Prophets, Priests,
through [7] wine erre from the way,
In iudgement stumble; in vision [7] erre,
strong drinke doth make them stray.

DIuine doctrine, whom shall he [9] teach?
euen children drawne from brest;
They would not heare, though they were [11] taught,
the way that led to rest.

EVery one [14] did liue [15] secure,
Christ promised to [16] the iust:
Their secure couenant shall be try'd,
the Plowman [34] taught to trust.

29 FEarfull [1] plagues [2] to [3] Ieruſalem [4]
for sinne [5] are threatned [6] here,
Their foes [7] shall not be [8] satisfied,
to [9] Seers [10] nothing [11] deare [12].

GOds woes on all deepe [13] hypocrites,
that serue him not aright,
But after mens commandements [14],
such he doth sore affright.

HEre promise made that [18] deafe shall heare,
and eyes full blind shall see:
The meeke and poore in Israels [19] God,
shall then most ioyfull be.

30 INiquitie watchers [20] all cut off,
who snare the iust [21] for naught:
But Abrahams seed shall blesse the Lord
whom he [22] redeem'd and bought.

KNow here the threatned [1] woes to those
that seeke to man for ayde,
That aske not counsell of the Lord,
nor on his strength are stay'd.

LEt this their [8] sinne be written downe,
and how [9] they will not heare
The Prophets preach the word of God,
with lyes they [10] must them cheare.
MOst blest are they that [18] wait for God,
for they shall weepe [19] no more
He will be gracious to them all
they shall haue teachers [20] store.
NO coueting of Idols they
shall brooke, but purge [21] and cleanse
And as a menstruous cloath shall hate,
and say fye get thee hence,
OMarke the ioy [29] Gods people haue,
to [31] see th' Assyrians fall,
Make Tophet large and wide prepar'd,
for wicked liuers all.

31 PRophet Isay here proues them [1] curst
that sought th'Egyptians aid:
Who ware not God, [3] their horses flesh,
God makes them [3] all afraid.
QVite spoyl'd shall they [3] and helpers bee,
God is most strong [3] and wise:
To saue mount [4] Zion from her foes,
like Lyon will he rise.
REturne to God whom [6] Israel left,
all Idols cast [7] away:
The Assyrians [8] shall be vanquished,
Gods fire in Zion stay.

32 SVre blessings [1] learne of Christs [2] Kingdom,
men shall both heare [3] and see:
Mens stammering [4] tongues shall plainly speake
vile persons vile shall be.
TRemble [11] women that are at ease,
all [12] wealth and ioy shall [13] cease;

Vntill the [13] spirit be powr'd on vs,
then shall come [16] rest and [17] peace:

33 VNto the spoylers woes pronounc'd,
for spoyled much they [1] bee;
O Lord be gracious vnto vs,
we [2] waited haue for thee;
ALL [3] nations scattered when thou stirst,
thou art [5] exalted still,
With [6] wisedome, knowledge, righteousnesse,
mount [5] Zion he doth fill
BItterly shall strong [7] men cry out,
and Zion [14] sinners feare,
The vpright [16] man shall dwell on high,
the King shall see [17] most cleare.
COme looke on [20] Zion thou shalt see
Ierusalem at peace,
Iehouah [22] is our Iudge and King,
to saue he will [24] not cease.

34 DEstroyed shall all nations [1] be:
th' earth drunke with [6] Edoms blood,
God will take vengeance on [8] them all
that wisht not Zions good.
EVen streames shall burning pitch be [9] made,
their dust like brimstone burne,
Which night nor day shall [10] not be quench't,
all topsie [11] turuie turn'd:
FOr [13] Dragons, Owles, and Cormorants,
for [14] Satyrs there to cry,
Shall be their [15] princely palaces,
beleeue it [16] certainly.

35 GOds glorious power [2] th' Elect shall see,
they shall be fill'd with songs:
Weake hands and [3] knees shall be confirm'd,
and birds be [4] stout and strong.

Her

HE will come with a [4] recompence,
and will his people saue;
The deafe shall heare, the [6] lame shall leape,
the [5] blind their sights shall haue.
IN deserts shall be water [6] streames;
the tongue of dumbe shall sing:
No sighes, nor sorrowes, shall bee [10] seene,
all comforts God will bring.

36 KIng [1] of Assiria Iudah inuades,
Rasheca bids them [4] yeeld,
Not [7] trust in God, nor in [6] Egypt,
his King would win [5] the field.
LEt not Ezekiah [14] you deceiue,
and say your God shall saue;
Thus is the Lord of Hosts blasphem'd
by this same railing knaue.
MAke knowne thy mind [11] (Eliakim saith)
in speech we [11] vnderstand,
No, let this people [16] heare (quoth he)
and saue their life and land.
NOne make him answer, (so the [21] King
had giuen in charge before)
The Rulers rent their [22] cloathes, and tell
the King, who grieues full sore.

37 OHow he [1] mournes! ô Esay [4] pray,
it may be God wil pay
The raylor for his blasphemy,
then he tels what to say.
PVt Ezekiah out of [6] feare,
the Lord will [7] send a blast
Vpon Senacherib and his hoast,
they shall be slaine at last.
QVite ouerthrowne haue I great [11] Kings,
and shall thy God thee free?

King reads the letter, [14] prayes that God
his [16] sure defence [20] would be.

RAging so sore [28], God hooks his nose,
and brings him [25] backe againe,
The [36] Angell kills his souldiers all,
he by his [38] sonnes are slaine.

38 SEt house in [1] order, dye thou must,
Ez'kiah [2] weepeth [3] sore;
And praying, God addes to his age
of yeares full [15] fifteene more:
THe [7] signe hereof is Sunne [8] gone backe
to God the King [9] complaines [14],
God casts his sinnes [17] behind his backe,
his song of prayse [20] remaines.

39 VNt'Ezekiah [1] gifts are sent,
his treasures [2] all they see:
The Prophet then [3] reproues the King,
and tells him what [6] shall be.
ALl these to Babylon [6] shall goe,
thy sonnes shall [7] Eunuches be,
Good is the word of God (saith [8] he)
I peace and truth shall see:

40 BE comfortable to my [1] folke,
Iohn Baptists [4] cry [5] foretold,
Th' Apostles [6] preaching: ALL FLESH GRASSE
and YOVR [10] LORD GOD BEHOLD.
CArry shall he his tender lambes
his [11] folke he well shall feed:
None like [12] the Lord, the earth to him,
is lesse then [17] naught indeed.
DAre any then compare [18] the Lord
to Idols [19] vile and vaine?
Proud Princes he [23] pulls to the ground,
their root shall not [24] remaine.

Eternall

ETernall God [26] hath all things made,
the young and ſtrong [27] ſhall fall:
But they that wayt vpon the [31] Lord,
ſhall be renued all.

41 FRom th'Eaſt, who [2] rais'd the righteous man
worme Iacob [14] feare no foes,
Them will I foyle [11], but [13] helpe thee ſtill,
in drought, well ſprings diſcloſe.
Glue forth [21] your reaſons, tell what's paſt,
or ſhew vs what's to [23] come:
Ye're [24] worſe then naught, and curſt are [24] they
that chooſe you all and ſome.
HEliſh confuſion are [29] their workes,
there's none that [26] heare their words,
To Zion and Ieruſalem,
good tidings [27] God affords:

42 IHaue my ſpirit [1] put on him,
the gentiles he [6] ſhall light:
The bruiſed reed he [3] will not breake,
to th'blind [7] he ſhall giue ſight.
KEepe thee [6] will I: all creatures [10] ſing,
and ſhew his worthy [11] prayſe:
Great ſhame ſhall light vpon all [17] thoſe
that chooſe Idolatrous wayes.
LEt deafe and blind [8] now heare and ſee,
who is ſo blind as mine?
Who heare and ſee, but to [20] obſerue,
their hearts [25] will not incline.
MY people rob'd and ſpoyl'd [24] becauſe,
they would not heare my voyce;
His Law he will make honourable [13],
in right he doth reioyce.

43 NO riuers [2] ſhall thee ouerflow,
feare nothing [1] thou art mine:

No fire shall kindle [2] vpon thee,
I [3] am and will be [4] thine.
OVt of my hand no [13] man can saue;
I am your [15] Lord and King:
To Babell [19] for your sake I sent:
forget the former things.
PLead thou [26] with me for my name sake:
I will [25] forget thy sinne:
Yet gaue I Iacob to the [28] curse
for sinnes he liued in.

44 QVke banish [2] feare (ô Iacob deare)
Ile power vpon thy seed
My spirit, and they each one shall say,
I am the [5] Lords indeed.
REdeemer [6] first and last I am;
there is [8] no God but I:
The Image and the maker both
are [11] shamelesse vanitie.
SIng seruant [23] Iacob all thy sinnes
as [22] clouds are blotted out;
I formed thee and all things elle,
the [24] heauens and earth about.
THe lyers tokens I frustrate;
the [25] wise men fooles I make:
My seruants words [26] I doe confirme,
and [28] Cyrus shepherd take.

45 VNloose for [1] him the loynes of Kings,
and breake the gates of brasse;
For Iacobs sake I call'd him so
before he euer was.
ALL light and darknesse, peace and [7] euill,
euen I Iehouah made:
No God [6] but I, Ile cause him build
the Citie [13] sore decaid.

Bring

BRing forth [8] saluation, heauens and earth
burst [9], who with God contends,
All Idoll makers [16] God confounds,
to [17] his great ioy he lends.
COme neare and know that they are [20] fooles
that set vp wood and stone:
Looke vp to me and saue your soules,
for [22] I am God alone.

46 DOwne fals false Bell: the beasts did bear,
such Idols [2] on their backs,
I cary you [3] from youth to age,
mine no [4] deliuerance lacks.
EQuall to me, whom will you make?
dead Idols cannot [7] moue:
O sinners thinke on former [9] times,
my power and [13] grace yee proue.

47 FOr cruell [1] pride is Babell [3] plagu'd,
great sinnes the Lord prouokes,
They shewed no mercy to his folke,
But laid on grieuous yoakes.
GIuen to delights and careless [8] life,
she said she was a Queene;
But shee shall haue such plagues for [9] sinne
as seldome haue beene seene.
HElpe of th' Astrologers [13] seeke and craue,
(thou who said [10] none can see
Who trusted in thy wickednesse)
as stubble shalt thou [14] be.

48 ISraell sweares but [1] not in truth,
stifneck't with [4] browes of brasse,
I often taught, and told [5] them things
before they came to passe.
KNowing that they [8] were treacherous,
he saues for his owne sake;

O Israel!

O Israel heare [12] I will thee teach;
mee [17] for thy leader take.
Like sands of sea thy seed [1] had beene,
thou blest with great increase:
If thou hadst hearkned to my voyce [18],
thou hadst had store of peace.
Make hast [19] goe out of Babylon;
say ye the Lord doth saue
His seruant Iacob; wicked ones
no [22] peace at all shall haue.

49 Nam'd was I [1] from my mothers wombe,
my mouth [2] made like a sword:
I spake, and spent my strength [4] in vaine:
my worke is [4] with the Lord.
O Mountaines sing, [13] th'afflicted he
will comfort and defend:
Th'art giuen to light the [6] Gentiles all,
a Sauiour toth'worlds end.
Princes shall rise [7] and worship thee,
thou shalt a [8] couenant bee,
To lighten men in darknesse [9] set,
and set the prisoners free.
Quietly then thou shalt them [10] lead,
no hunger, thirst, nor heat,
Shall smite or [10] hurt thy holy ones,
thou canst not them [15] forget.
Restored shall thy people [18] be,
great troupes to [22] thee resort,
Both Kings and [23] Queenes with humble hearts
shall [23] yeeld thee great comfort.
Saue thee, and thine [25] will I from foes,
that had thy death decreed,
With their owne [26] blood they shall be drunke,
and on their flesh shall feed.

50 To

50 TO whom haue I your mother sold?
your [1] sinnes haue made you fall:
My power [2] can saue; my tongue doth [4] cheare
the weary sinners all.
VNto the smiters did I giue [6]
my backe, and face to shame:
The Lord, doth [7] helpe and iustifie;
who can condemne [8] or blame?
ALl ye that heare, and feare the Lord
trust [10] in his holy name:
Who needs will stay vpon themselues,
shall lye them [11] downe in shame.

51 BEhold your father [3] Abraham,
in Christ beleeue, as he:
To Zion he will comfort [5] send,
in her all ioy shall be.
COme heare my law, which is [4] your light,
the heauens [6] and earth behold:
My saluing health endures for aye,
those vanish and wax [8] old.
DEare people who [7] regard my law,
feare not what raylers say;
The moth and worme shall them consume;
my [8] iustice dures for aye.
EVen as of old, stretch out [9] thine arme
thou makst deepe [10] seas be dry:
Then mortall man [12] why shouldst thou feare?
we shall sing [11] ioyfully.
FOrget not God, thy Creator,
nor [13] furious foes doe feare;
My word I will put in thy [16] mouth;
thee in mine hand Ile beare.
GReat dregs of dolour [17] hast thou drunke,
and hast no comfort had:

But I that [12] plead my peoples cauſe,
will make thy foes full ſad

52 HEare [1] Zion, beautifie thy ſelfe,
th' vncleane ſhall come no more.
Within thy courts; thou haſt beene [3] ſold,
but [4] I will thee [5] reſtore.

IN thee who ſhall ſaluation [7] preach,
and ioyfull tydings bring,
Their feet ſhall be moſt beautifull,
they ſhall in [8] Zion ſing.

KIngs then ſhall ſhut their mouthes at Chriſt;
[14] aſtoniſh't all ſhall be:
Sing ioyfully ([9] Ieruſalem)
the Lord hath ſet thee free.

LOrds veſſell-bearers be ye [11] cleane:
poluted things abhorre:
Depart from thence, the Lord doth goe
behind [12] you and before.

53 MEn did deſpiſe, [3] and Chriſt reiect:
(the Prophet ſo [1] complaines)
But as a plant he did [2] grow vp,
induring [3] griefes and paines.

NO fraud was found in him [5] nor ſin,
yet was he plagued ſore,
And wounded for [5] our wickednesſe
increaſed [6] more and more.

ON him was all our lewdneſſe [6] layd,
as lambe to ſlaughter [7] brought:
So hee to death, by which he hath
our [11] full redemption wrought.

PRoſper ſhall ſtill, the Lords good will,
which he doth take in hand,
He doth triumph, doth iuſtifie,
as interceſſor ſtand.

54 Quire

54 QViet your [1] selues, ô Gentiles all,
God shall your Church [4] enlarge,
Feare not he is your husband [5] deare,
of you he taketh charge.
REdeemer [8] saith, though I haue seem'd
a [7] while thee to forsake,
Yet with an euerlasting loue
for [8] mine I will thee take.
SWorne haue I that I [9] will thee saue,
(ô thou with [11] tempest toss't)
Thy foes shall gather thee against,
but [15] greatly to their cost.
THy children shall be [13] taught of God:
the [14] mountaines then shall moue;
But tongues nor [17] weapons shall thee hurt:
my peace thou still shalt proue.
55 VNto the waters euery one
that thirsteth come and buy,
Drinke freely, heare, beleeue [2] in me,
your soules Ile satisfie.
ACouenant will I make with [3] you
of Dauids mercies sure;
A [4] leader to my folke I haue
giuen, Christ their sinnes to cure.
BE Priest to seeke and call on God,
betime [6] while he is neare;
Forsake your sinnes, returne to [7] him,
then he will helpe and heare.
COnsider that my wayes and [8] thoughts
are nothing like to yours;
My word doth not [10] returne [11] in vaine:
on his [12] all ioy he [13] powres.
56 DOe Iustice, keepe the sabbaths [2] pure,
from euill workes abstaine:

My

My ſauing [1] health is neare to [2] thoſe,
that in theſe workes remaine.
EVen Eunuches, ſtrangers and their [4] ſonnes
that doe themſelues addreſſe,
To doe the things that I [6] command,
ſhall laſting [7] ioyes poſſeſſe.
FEild, [8] forreſt, beaſts come and deuoure,
his watchmen all are [10] blind:
Dumbe [11] greedy dogs, ſleepe, gaine and wine
are [12] all that they doe mind.
57 GRieu'd hearts [1] none haue when good (men dye
but they are freed from wo:
They reſt in peace, [3] yea witches ſonnes
againſt [4] whom raile ye ſo?
HIgh mountaine haſt thou [7] offered on
thy vaine [12] workes Ile decare,
There is no [71] peace to wicked men,
the [15] mourners well ſhall fare.
58 IAcobs [1] tranſgreſſions cry againſt,
yet they will [3] faſt and pray:
And ſeeme to Iou: and like my lawes,
but care [4] not to obey.
KNow that the faſt that God doth [7] chooſe,
is to reli ue the poore:
Yee faſt to ſtrife and wickedneſſe,
and are not heard therefore.
LOdge, cloath, and feed the fatherleſſe,
obſerue the Sabbath dayes:
Then God will bleſſe and guide thee [14] ſtill
and heare thee when thou prayes.
59 MVch murther, and ſuch monſtrous [3] ſinnes
wherein you ſtill remaine,
Hath cauſ'd the Lord to hide his [7] face,
and from all helpe refraine.

None

NOne ſtands for truth, nor calls for [4]right,
they ſpeake and truſt in lyes:
I could and would haue help'd and ſau'd,
but [8] you did me [9] deſpiſe.
OVr ſinnes [12] againſt vs teſtifie,
like doues we mourne [11] full ſore:
We roare like Beares, we looke for ayde,
but thou doſt ſend no more.
PEruerted is all iudgement [11] quite,
truth is falne cleane away;
And who ſo doth depart from [15] euill
doth make himſelfe a prey.
QVickly did his owne arme [16] faile,
when all did him forſake:
And (wondring at their want of zeale)
he made his foes to quake.
REdeemer ſhall to Zion come [20],
to them of humble heart:
My ſpirit and word ſhall not from thee
nor from [21] thy ſeed depart,

60 SHine (glorious [1] Church) the Gentiles all
ſhall [3] come to ſee thy light:
Euen royall Kings ſhall come from far,
to ſee thy riſing bright.
THeir [7] flocks, their ſiluer and their [9] gold,
they then ſhall bring to thee:
And who their [17] ſeruice will not yeeld
ſhall wholly waſted be.
VIolence ſhall [18] no more be heard,
the Lord ſhall be thy [19] light:
A little ſmall one ſhall be come
a thouſand [22] then in ſight.

61 ANointed am I for to preach
glad [1] tydings to the meeke:

To

To Zion mourners [3] braiſ'd in [1] heart,
who mee their Sauiour [2] ſeeke.
BVilding the old [4] waſt places all,
Gods Prieſts they ſhall [6] be nam'd,
And double ioy they ſhall poſſeſſe,
though they before were ſham'd.
COnfirmed couenant will I make,
their [8] workes in truth direct,
Who ſee them and their ſeed ſhall ſay,
the Lord doth them reſpect.
DEarely doe I loue righteouſneſſe,
but robberie deadly hate;
Though for burnt offerings made and done:
beleeuers bleſſed ſtate.

62 EXceeding zealous will I be
to [1] ſpeake for Zions peace,
Vntill her brightneſſe ſhall breake forth
and righteouſneſſe increaſe.
FOr famous ſhall thy [3] new name be,
a crowne in [3] Gods owne hand;
In thee he doth reioyce, and will
ſee [4] maryed to thy land.
GIue him no reſt vntill hemke
Ieruſalem a praiſe.
Gatherers [8] ſhall eate in my courts,
and [9] thanke the Lord alwaies
HIgh waies caſt vp, a ſtandard ſet;
the [10] peoples way prepare:
Saluation God proclaimes [11] to his,
they holy called are.

63 I Haue the wine preſſe [3] trod alone;
Redeeming [4] time is come;
And I will trample vnder foot
my [6] foes both all and ſome.

Kindled

KIndled fury did me vphold;
mine [5]arme ſaluation brought:
When I with wondring did behold
that none my glory ſought.

LOrd, of thy loue, and [7]goodneſſe great
make mention ſtill will I,
Thou ſaidſt, they are thy people deare,
Children [8]that will not lie.

MVch vex't was he when they rebell'd,
and [10]did againſt him fight:
Then thought he [11]on his ancient [12]loue,
how [13]Moſes rul'd them [14]right.

NOne knew vs (Lord) in heauen but [15]thou,
not Abraham nor his ſeed:
Looke downe and helpe; what is thy [16]loue
reſtrain'd in time of need?

OLord why haſt thou made vs [17]erre,
and hearts kept from thy feare;
Thy foes and ours tread downe thy [18]Church,
returne Lord, helpe and heare.

64 POwre [1]down thy plagues [2]vpon thy foes,
no [4]eye did euer ſee,
Nor eare hath heard, what thou prepar'ſt
for them that wait on thee.

QVickly thou Lord doſt meet the [5]man
that worketh righteouſneſſe;
But thou art wroth; for wee haue ſinn'd,
our beſt work's [6]filthineſſe.

REmember not [9]our ſinnes for aye:
afflict not very ſore:
Our holy [11]houſe thy foes haue burnt,
wilt thou not [13]plague therefore?

65 SOught am I of a [1]nation
that did not aske for mee:

I called

I called daily on mine owne
they fell [3] to Idolatrie.
THey walked after their [4] owne thoughts,
the Hypocrites did say;
Q come not neere, for [5] I am pure,
these I with [6] plagues will [7] pay.
VNto a remnant that [8] me sought,
a blessing [9] will [10] I give;
But you forsooke me when I call'd,
and would not godly liue.
ALL things wherein I tooke no ioy,
those did ye still pursue.
My seruants therefore shall be blest,
but ye shall dearly rue.
BEhold new heauens [17] and earth I make,
in which [19] I will reioyce;
No want of blessings [21] there [22] shall be
nor [23] heard [24] a mourners [19] voyce.
CVrst wolfe then with the Lambs [25] shall eate,
they shall not hurt at all:
I then will heare and answer [24] make
before my people call.
66. DOgges necke cut off; killing a [3] man
I count as worthy praise:
As when you offer Oxe or [3] Lambe,
and follow your owne wayes.
EArth is my footstoole, heauen [1] my throne
what house will you afford:
To poore and contrite soules I [17] looke,
who tremble at my word.
FOr my name sake who cast you out,
(your [5] brethren full of hate)
Said God be prais'd, but he will [5] bring
them into wofull state.

Greatly

GReatly reioyce at Churches growth,
and at their blessings [11] store [12],
Transgressors worme shall neuer die [14],
they burne for euermore.

Chapt. *An. Mundi.*

IEREMIAH.

1 AH Lord I am but [6] as a child,
the people will me scorne:
Goe, I a Prophet thee ordain'd [5],
before that thou was borne.
BE not afraid of any [8] thing,
I will deliuer thee:
To pull downe Kingdomes [10] built and plant,
declare what [11] thou dost see.
COme from the North shall [15] mightie Kings,
they shall not Iudah spare:
But plague them for [16] their false worships,
this rod [11] and [12] pot declare [13].
DIsmay not at their [17] furious lookes,
lest thou confounded be:

Be

Ile thee defend, and fight [18] with those
that doe contend with thee.
2 EVill shall betide all Israels [3] foes;
the fruits of Gods increase:
What haue I done, that you so [5] soone
to serue mee should surcease.
FRom [6] Ægypt who did you bring out
into a fruitfull [7] land,
You neuer [8] ask't, nor yet your Priests
my [8] law did vnderstand.
GRieuously was their [7] land defil'd;
they [8] prophecied by Baall,
And changed mee for Idoll gods,
and must be plagued all.
HAue thy backslidings [17] not procur'd
that thou thus plagu'd should be?
Thou hast forsaken me thy [18] God:
my feare is not in thee.
IBroke thy yoake, and burst thy bands,
[19] thou said'st, Ile not transgresse:
I planted thee a noble [21] vine;
why art thou so frutlesse?
KNow that your [22] sinne is marked out,
a stocke ye call your fire:
Yet in their trouble they will say,
saue (Lord) we thee desire.
LIke Lyon fierce, your owne sword hath
destroy'd [30] your Prophets all:
Because thou saist I haue [35] not sinn'd,
looke for a woefull fall.
3 MOst filthy haue thy whoredomes [1] beene,
yet turne to mee againe:
Because thou [2] didst defile the land,
I did deny [3] thee raine.

Nons

NOne turn'd to mee with all their [10] heart
in Iudah, though they saw,
The shamefull sinnes of Israell,
they worse did breake my law
O Israell, turne, [12] confesse your sinnes,
repent, [13] and I will saue,
To feed your soules with knowledge [15] pure,
you shall good pastors haue.
PEruerted haue we [25] all our waies,
we [31] weeping come to thee,
Our Fathers [24] children, flocke and heards
for sinne [25] confounded be.

4 QVickly (if thou mind to [1] returne)
repent and sweare by [2] me,
Or else the, [4] land, King, [5] Prophets, [8] Priests
shall [9] delolation see.
RAging and ruthlesse foes [13] draw neare;
O wash thy [14] heart from sinne:
Thus art thou plagu'd, because that [18] thou
rebellious still had beene.
SOunding of trumpets [19] haue I heard:
I cannot but lament:
The souldiers slay, and slaughter [20] all
in euery place they went.
TO Sinne, and serue the deuill, my [22] folke
haue skill and knowledge store:
But to doe [22] good, they 're very fooles,
the [27] land laid waste [28] therefore.
5 VPon the Iewes for fearefull sinnes
are [6] fearefull plagues set downe:
They sought not truth; they falsly [2] swore;
this [3] made the Lord to [7] frowne.
ALL men refuse [3] to turne to me,
both poore and [5] men of might

[11] They

They sweare, and [7] play th'adulterers,
can I [9] endure this sight?
BReake down their [10] walls, th'are not the Lords,
the Prophets [13] teach them lies:
A nation shall deuoure [15] thy flockes,
and food, before thine [17] eyes.
COme heare (ye blinde [21] and foolish folke)
what? will ye not me feare?
Which rules the roaring seas, and giues
you harueſt euery [25] yeare?
DEpriu'd are you of [25] these good things,
by reason of your sinne:
The Prophets lye, the Priests loue [31] gifts:
and people ioy therein.
6 EVery one [1] prepare to flee,
your [2] Cities [4] spoyled [5] quite;
Her violence [6] and grieuous [7] sinnes
are euer in my sight.
FRom thee (least I depart [8] away)
O Salem learne and feare:
The Word is a reproach to [10] them
that haue no ioy to heare.
GIuen are they all to couetousnesse [13]
Priests, Prophets [14] preaching peace:
Without [15] all shame, when [11] wickednesse,
and warres did still [13] increase.
HEarken ye out the old good pathes,
[16] heare what your watchmen say,
And you shall find rest to your soules [17],
they answered flatly nay.
ITherefore will lay [21] stumbling blockes,
both sires and sonnes shall fall:
I care not for [20] your sacrifice
you sure shall [21] perish all.

Killing

KIlling is seene on [25] euery side,
in sackcloth sore [26] lament:
thee haue I as a fortresse [27] set,
reuokers [28] shall be shent.

LIsten O Iudah [1] leaue your sinnes,
forsake [6] your hurtfull gods;
doe no man wrong, and you shall liue,
and [7] feele no smarting rods.

MAd people, will you murther, [9] steale,
adultery commit?
alle worthipe vse, then come to me,
and in my [10] temple sit?

NO profit is in lying words,
nor to your temple trust:
Shilo [14] will I lay it waste,
sith you liue as you [13] lust.

OBserue [17] their deeds (pray [16] not for them)
for I did neuer [21] speake,
of such [18] things as they [22] doe to me
and my [23] Commandements [24] breake.

PRophets were daily [13] sent to them,
who bid obey my will:
but they refusing waxed worse,
and were [26] rebellious still.

QVake and lament, the [25] wrathfull God
will from you all depart:
You burne in Tophet children deare,
which [31] came not in my heart.

REioycing shall in [34] Iudah cease,
no mirth be heard that day,
their carkasses the foules shall eate [33],
none shall them fray away.

SPread shall thy foes the buried [1] bones,
of Prince and people all;

Before the Sun [2], which they haue ſeru'd,
and men for [3] death ſhall call.
THey held deceit [5], would not repent,
but worſe [6] and worſe did grow:
The fowles obſeru'd their pointed [7] times,
but me they will not know.
VS hath he giuen waters of gall,
becauſe [14] we haue tranſgreſt:
God will conſume [13] their grapes and figs:
ſend ſerpents [17] on the reſt.
AGainſt hearts griefe when I [18] would ſtriue,
my heart doth faint and faile,
To heare their cry they [19] me prouok't,
no Phyſicke [22] could preuaile.
9 BEcauſe for ſinne the moſt are [1] ſlaine,
I would ſhed ſtore of teares;
Like bowes they bend their tongues [3] for lyes,
not one Iehouah feares.
COuragious for the truth [3] none is,
they grow from euill to worſe,
Nor neighbour, nor a brother [4] truſt,
they taught their tongues [5] to curſe.
DEns of foule Dragons [11] deſolate,
I will their Cities make:
Of man and beaſt, for [12] all theſe ſinnes,
my [9] ſoule ſhall vengeance take.
EVen for their diſobedience [17],
and walking after Baal [14]:
I gall and [15] wormewood will them giue,
they [16] ſhall be ſcattered all.
FOr cunning mourning [17] women ſend,
to grieue for [19] great diſtreſſe:
As dung [22] on field dead bodies lye,
death kills both [21] more and leſſe.

Glory

GLorie thou not in wit and wealth,
or any [23] wordly might:
But that thou knowest me thy [24] God,
in such I doe delight.
He saith that he will punish [25] sore,
both Iewes and Gentiles all,
Who are not [26] circumcis'd in heart,
for truely on him call.
10 O Israels house learne [7] not the waies
wherein the heathen walke:
Or trees they [8] make them guilded gods,
that cannot speake nor talke.
KIng of all nations [7] thou art great,
and madst the heauens [11] so high:
Thee will we [7] feare, the stockes doe teach
vs naught but vanity.
Like Idols is [16] not Iacobs God:
in knowledge man's [14] a beast.
By brutish Pastors [27] all are [21] spoyl'd,
for this Gods [22] wrath's encreast.
MAn cannot [23] guide his steps himselfe,
in mercy [24] mee chastise:
On Iacobs foes poure out thy rage [25],
those heathenish families.
11 NEglected is the couenant [8] made
with Abraham and his seed,
Which was obey and you [4] shall be
my people deare indeed.
OBeying [8] not but turning [10] backe,
to their forefathers sinne,
To bring vpon them grieuous [11] plagues,
I surely will begin.
PRay not for this sinfull crew [14],
for sure I will not heare:

As streetes so altars [13] vnto Baal,
in Salem they doe reare.
QVite broket are thy branches off [14],
who wast an Oline greene:
For thy reioycing in [15] thy sinne,
thou art supplanted cleane.
RIght like an oxe to slaughter [19] brought,
I knew not their intents:
When they said kill and cut him off,
thou [20] Lord my death preuents.
SHew me thy wrath on them that said
preach not on [21] paine of death.
Let sword their sonnes and daughters [22] slay,
or famine stop their breath.

12 THou Lord art iust, yet tell me [1] why
the wicked prosper so?
Thou lett'st them grow and bring forth fruit
they feele no kind of woe.
VNto the Lord, I well am [5] knowne,
for slaughter them prepare
For sinne the Land shall mourne, the beasts,
hearbs, birds consumed are.
A Number [6] of thy fathers [7] house
haue falsly with thee delt:
Beleeue them not, for all their words,
my [7] folke my anger [8] felt.
BEasts of the field [9], come and deuoure,
Pastors my [10] vineyard spoile:
Yet no [11] man grieues, they reape no wheat,
but thornes [13] for all their toyle.
COmpassion will I haue [15] on them,
and bring them to their land:
If they obey they shall be sure
to haue my helpe at hand.

13 Destruction

3 DEſtruction [1] is prefigured
by linnen [4] girdle hid,
s it was [5] ſpoil'd; ſo God for pride
to his [10] folke dealt, and did.
EVery bottle fill'd with [12] wine,
ſhewes forth the [13] wofull fall,
f people fill'd with drunkenneſſe [14]
and daſh'd in peeces ſmall.
EAre ye the [15] Lord (before he plague)
if not in [16] ſecret place;
y ſoule ſhall weepe, to ſee you [17] brought
into poore captiues caſe.
GReatneſſe of ſin [22] great plagues haue brought
J can Blackmoore [23] change his skinne,
o more can you your lewdneſſe [27] leaue;
when will ye ceaſe to ſinne?
4 HOw grieuous was Ieruſalems [2] cry?
there was no water found
o raine did fall vpon the [4] earth
nor graſſe grew on the ground.
N places high, wild aſſes [6] did.
like dragons ſuffe vp winde:
e Hindes did calues, and in the fields
did leaue their calues behind.
KInde Lord [7] the hope of Iſrael,
(though [8] we haue ſinned ſore)
t we are called by thy [9] name,
ó leaue vs not therefore.
OUing to wander from his [10] wayes,
the Lord doth them reiect:
ay [11] not for them: I will not heare,
nor their requeſts accept.
MY name [13] falſe prophets ſtill doe vſe
ſaying yee [14] ſhall not ſee:

The ſword nor famine; yet by theſe
they ſhall [15] conſumed be.
NOne ſhall there be to bury them [16],
that hearkened to their lyes:
Their wickedneſſe I will poure out,
vpon their families.
OLet me weepe for people [18] ſlaine,
our ſinnes we [20] doe confeſſe:
Be [21] mindfull of thy couenant (Lord)
we [22] waite on thy goodneſſe.
15 PEople ſo graceleſſe I will plague [1],
though Moſes ſhould intreat:
Swords, beaſts, and doggs [3] ſhall ſtroy them for
Manaſſes [4] ſinnes ſo great.
QVite backward art thou gone from [6] me,
I can no longer ſpare:
Of children they [7] ſhall be [8] bereau'd
their plagues increaſed are.
RAylers me curſe, though [10] vſury
I neither giue nor take:
Woe is me a man of ſtrife,
I ſtill [10] contention make.
SAfe ſhall thy remnant be, and [11] though
your foe ſhall vſe you well,
Yet for your ſinnes to a land vnknowne
with them you ſhall goe dwell.
THou knowſt I ſuffered for thy ſake [15],
ô take me not away:
Auenge me on mine enemies all,
thy word was my ſweet ſtay.
VPon me (Lord) why haſt thou brought,
perpetuall [18] paine and wound:
With mockers I reioyced [17] not,
I eate thy word I found.

AS mine owne mouth so shalt [9] thou be
a wall I [10] will thee make
Vnto this people; if the vile,
thou from [11] the precious take.

16 BEware thou shalt not take a [1] wife,
nor any children haue:
They shall all dye [4] of grieuous deaths,
not one their [5] life shall saue.

COme not in house where feasting is,
to eate or there abide:
For ioy shall cease, all mirth [9] depart
of bridegroome and of bride.

DEmaunding why they thus are plagu'd,
and what had beene their sinne?
Say that their fathers [11] me forsooke,
and they farre worse haue bin.

EGypts deliuerance not so strange,
as when I shall them saue:
And bring them to their land againe [13],
which I their fathers gaue.

FRom euery mountaine, hill and hole,
I will them hunt and call:
And double pay them for their sinnes;
they haue defiled all.

GRacious God the Gentiles all,
shall fathers sinnes confesse:
Once I will cause them know my [17] name,
and will my might expresse.

17 HIgh places, [2] groues, and such great sinnes
ingrauen [1] on their heart:
Haue caus'd the [3] spoile of treasures all,
and [4] endlesse burning smart.

IN man who trusts, and turnes from [5] God,
a cursed man is he:

But who so trusts, and hopes in [7] God,
still blessed shall he be.

KNowne vnto me are all mens [10] hearts,
most wicked full of guile:
To giue according to their wayes,
rich [11] misers, fooles the while.

LOrd heale [14] and saue, thou art [13] our hope,
saluation is from [12] thee:
Who thee (the well of life) [13] forsakes
shall all ashamed be.

MOckers of his Prophecie
he here complaineth of,
And prayeth for their confusion [18],
that at Gods word doe scoffe.

NO blessings [21] could, nor [23] curses cause
them keepe [25] the Sabbath day,
Till he set fire [25] vpon their gates,
and pallaces did decay.

18 OF Israels house as potters deale [8]
with clay they haue in hand;
So haue [7] I power (as they deserue)
to [8] make or marre [9] a Land.

PEruerse reuolters, turne to me,
from [11] your owne wayes depart,
They said they would doe what they [12] list,
and what came in their heart.

QVickly will I spoile their [14] land,
and the man [17] hissing make;
Because that they my ancient [15] pathes
and worships strange vptake.

REgard not what the Prophet [18] saith,
Gods word we shall haue still,
Come let vs smite him with the tongue,
and doe euen what we will.

Saue

SAue [19] me (ô Lord) but pay them home,
that pay me [20] euill for good:
saue vp their [21] children, pitty [22] none,
nor spare to shed [23] their blood.

9 TAke potters vessell, and the heads [1],
of Priests and people all:
goe to Ilai Tophet [2] all the [3] plagues,
that shall on them befall.

VNto their Gods they burnt their [4] sonnes,
to Baal they offered,
which I commanded not, nor [5] spake,
nor came it in my head.

AN hissing shall this [8] place be made,
the beasts [7] shall eate their fill;
and fowles of their dead carkasses [7],
which cruell foes shall kill.

BEcause their neckes they hardened,
and car'd not for my word;
they shall their sonnes and daughters eate
and be of God abhorr'd.

CHiefe Ruler Pashur hearing [9] this
doth Ieremiah smite:
puts him i'th stockes, but he is plagu'd;
his friends slaine in his sight.

20 DEliuer will I all the strength,
into the spoilers hand:
Of Iudahs King, both thou and thine,
shall dye in Babels Land.

EVery one derideth [7] me
ô Lord thou hast preuail'd,
I said, I will reproue no more [9],
when they so sore assail'd.

FOrbeare I could not, for as fire
thy word [9] did in me burne:

They me defam'd, and frighted sore,
they watch'd when I would turne.
GReatly shall they bee [11] asham'd,
thy vengeance [2] let me see
Vpon my foes: prayse ye the [13] Lord,
the poore deliuereth he:
HEre Ieremiah (sore [14] perplex'd)
his birth doth curse [15] and blame,
Because he griefe and sorrow [18] saw,
and dayes consum'd with shame.

21 I Pray thee know if God will [2] saue
from king of Babels rage?
No, God will [3] smite you all himselfe,
none [6] shall his wrath asswage.
KIng Zedekiah and his [7] men
(who shall not then be slaine)
Shall captiues goe and in great woe,
in Babell still remaine.
LEt people to Chaldeans [9] yeeld
them else the foes will slay:
Who yeeld shall haue their liues bestow'd
vpon them for a prey.
MY face against you haue I [10] set,
and kindled is mine ire:
This City Babels King shall haue,
and burne it all with fire.
NOw turne and iudgement [12] execute,
the poore oppreſt, set free:
Or else, (for all thy [15] trusty rocke)
I sure will [14] punish thee.

22 O King of Iudah [2], thou and thine,
be iust, doe [3] no man wrong:
Then [4] will I blesse [5], if not Ile [6] burne
your City [7] now so strong.

Poure

POure forth no teares [10] for those now dead,
but [11] captiues state deplore:
Who must forsake their natiue [12] soile,
and neuer see it more.

QVite quasht shall King [13] Iehoiakim be,
and [14] buried like a beast,
His heart is all for auarice [17],
his cruelty's increast.

RIghteously your [15] fathers rul'd,
and they [16] were blest therefore:
But woe to him that builds with wrong
and so augments his store.

SPeaking [21] to thee in prosperous state
thou saidst I will not heare:
Thou and thy Pastors [22] plagu'd shall be
with exile shame and feare.

THough Coniah were most deare [24] to me
yet thus I haue decreed
He shall be banisht; neuer [30] thriue,
nor any of his seed.

23 VNto the Pastors [1] murthering soules,
the [2] Prophet threatneth woe,
Good pastors [3] after he prouides
that will not [4] starue them so:

A Righteous [5] branch the Lord will raise,
THE LORD [6] OVR RIGHTEOVSNESS
By him his people shall be safe,
no [7] end of his [8] godnesse.

BOth Priests and Prophets [11] are prophane,
adulterers [10] abound:
The land laments and mournes for oathes,
all sort [14] of men vnsound.

CAn any hide himselfe from [24] me?
I heauen and earth do fill:

The

The Prophes feed my folke with lies,
a whirlewind shall them kill.

DOting dreamers let them dreame on,
[28] my word teach faithfully;
Like fire and hammer t'is [29] which breaks
the rocke by Prophecy.

24 EVen as some figges are passing [5] good,
and pleasant for to eat:
So will the Lord bring [6] backe his owne,
and [7] kindly them intreat.

FAmine, the sword [9] and pestilence
shall wicked wretches [10] wast;
As naughty, bad and bitter figges,
[11] [8] no man can eate, nor tast.

25 GOd hath [3] me sent and many mee,
both [4] early and late to call,
And bid [5] you leaue your false [6] worships
but ye [7] refused all.

HAuing oft heard and not obeyed,
[9] they shall be plagued sore:
No milstones [10] mirth, nor candle light,
they [11] shall haue any more.

IN Babylon full seuenty [12] yeares,
the King there shall they serue:
But [13] after I will plague that land
as [14] their sinnes shall deserue.

KIngs cause to drinke [15] of this wine cup,
even Iudah's [18] Princes all:
My sword shall moue [16] and make them mad,
by it shall [17] nation fall.

LOth if strange nations be [28] to take,
the cup, and drinke of it:
Say that my people haue [29] begun
and you shall not goe quite,

Mighty

Mighily shall Iehouah [32]roare
vpon his habitation:
Mens carkasses shall be as [33] dung,
in euery land and nation.
NOw shepheards howle [34] ye chiefe of flocks,
wallow in dust turmoyl'd,
The dayes of slaughter are at hand,
their pastures quite are spoyld.
26 OF all the words I bid thee speake,
[2] diminish not a word:
If they obey they [3] shall be blest,
if not, Ile plagues afford.
PRiests, Prophets, and the [8] people all
say Ieremy thou shalt dye,
The Princes said no cause of [16] death,
they could in him espie.
OVt then in iudgement Ieremy is
[16] by two [18] examples [20] rare,
And is preserv'd from peoples [24] rage
by good Ahikams care.
27 REmaine shall they in their owne [12] land,
that yeeld to Babels King:
But who refuse I will [8] consume,
and plagues vpon them bring.
SVch Prophets false, as tell [16] you lies,
; beleeue not what they say:
The treasures [21] which were left behind,
the King [22] shall beare away.
28 THen Hananiah [1] falsly saith
that two [3] yeeres once expired;
Kings, vessels, captiues shall [4] returne,
to their owne land desired.
VNt'Hananiah Ieremie said,
Amen [5], so may they fare:

Who

Who propheſieth [8] true or falſe,
the [9] euent will ſoone declare.
ALL being [10] preſent Hanani tooke
[*] from Ieremie's necke the yoake
Of wood, and ſaid, thus ſhall the yoke
[11] of Babels King be broake.
BRoken they haue the yoke of [12] wood,
but thou for them ſhalt make:
Strong yron yoakes, they muſt ſerue [14] him,
and he their beaſts ſhall take.
CAſt off, and curſed [16] ſhalt thou be
that mak'ſt them [15] truſt a lye:
Vntent thou taught rebellion,
this yeare thou ſure ſhalt [16] dye.
29 DIrected vnto Babylon,
[1] and to the captiues there,
A letter is from Ieremy,
that they [5] ſhould houſes reare.
EAte you the fruites of gardens there,
[5] which you your ſelues did plant,
Take wiues [6], and pray for Babels peace,
then peace [7] ye ſhall not want.
FAlſly [9] vnſent, they propheſie,
[8] but let them not deceiue;
The dreames ye cauſed them to dreame
in [8] no caſe doe receiue.
GRaciouſly I will performe [10]
at th'end of ſeuenty yeares,
My promiſe [12] made of your returne,
and free you from all feares.
HOme ſhall ye come, and if you ſearch
for me [13] with all your heart,
I will be found, and heare you pray,
[14] and will not from you part.

I will

I Will the ſword [17] and famine ſend
on King that ſits on [16] throne;
And on the people here at home
and thoſe are captiues gone.
KNow now the cauſe [19] you hearkened not
to that I did command,
But ſaid, the Lord hath Prophets [15] rays'd,
for vs in Babels land.
LYing Prophets here two are ſlaine,
[22] and roſted in the fire:
For villany in Iſrael
[23] a due deſerued hire.
MAliciouſly [25] 'gainſt Ieremy,
Shemaiah [26] a letter writes,
Which [29] read the Prophet [32] Ieremy
his dolefull doome recites.
30 NOw God bids Ieremiah write
[2] the time to be at hand,
That all his people ſhould [3] returne
and dwell in natiue land.
OIacob I will breake [8] thy yoake,
[4] thou [5] haſt beene [7] troubled ſore,
Now ſhalt thou ſerue [9] me and the King
and ſhall be [10] plagu'd no more.
PVt feare away, thy ſpoylers [16] all
ſhall ſhortly ſpoyled be,
Becauſe they thee an out-caſt [17] call'd
I will giue health to thee.
QVietly then ſhall Iſrael [10] reſt,
reioyce, freed from all paine:
A whirlewind from the [23] Lord ſhall fall
vpon the wicked traine.
31 REſtore and build will I [4] againe,
my Virgin Iſrael:

Reioyce

Reioyce; of old I [3] did thee loue,
and [8] ſtill will loue thee [9] well.
SHew farre and neare that God will [10] call
and as a ſhepheard keepe
His folke, who ſhall in Sion [12] ſing,
they ſhall no longer weepe.
THeir Preiſts with fatneſſe, [14] people eke
with goodneſſe Ile ſuffice,
Ceaſe mourning (Rahel) to [16] bring backe
their children, God will raiſe.
VNto me turne (ſaith Ephraim [18])
and turned ſhall I be:
As vnyok'd bullocke haue [19] I beene,
and thou chaſtiſed me.
ASham'd I was, I ſmote my [20] thigh,
for ſinne confounded ſore:
Thy bowels yearnd, thou brought [21] me backe,
and angry waſt no more.
BEhold how Chriſt [22] is promis'd here,
how he his Church [27] regards:
As he before afflicted ſore,
much more [28] he now rewards.
COuenant now then [31] will I make,
my people [33] ſhall they be;
In their hearts will write my lawes,
their ſinnes [34] I will not ſee.
DEuider of the [35] Seas hath built
his Church ſo [38] large and ſure.
That it ſhall [40] ſtand me and ſtable ſtand,
while [37] Sunne and Moone endure.

32 EScape thou canſt [4] not, Babels King
thou ſhalt ſee face to face:
For this he [3] was in priſon caſt,
the King did him [3] diſgrace.

For

FOr thine owne ſelfe buy thou my [8] field,
(thus ſaith Hananeel)
The writings [12] Baruck [13] keepes as [14] ſignes,
that once they [15] there ſhall dwell.
GOod Prophet here to God [16] complaines,
and hearty prayers makes;
Here grieuous [28] plagues [29] are threatned them
for [30] great tranſgreſſions ſake.
HArtily [32] after a while will I
to them my mercies [38] ſhew:
Ile bring them backe, renew their [40] heart,
they ſhall me feare and know.
I Will reioyce to doe them [41] good,
Ile free them from [42] annoy:
My couenant [40] will I make with them,
they ſhall their [44] fields inioy.
33 KIngs houſes and the Cities [4] ſpoyl'd,
they come to fight in vaine;
To fill themſelues with dead [5] coarſes
whom I in wrath haue ſlaine.
LEauing to puniſh, Ile them [6] bleſſe
with peace abundant ſtore:
Their ſinnes Ile [8] cleanſe, they ſhall reioyce,
and praiſe me euermore.
MEn ſhall inioy their flockes and fields,
[11] and ſetled gouernment:
Shall offer ſacrifice of praiſe;
to ſaue, Chriſt ſhall be ſent.
NEuer ſhall Dauid want a [17] man
to ſit vpon his throne:
Nor Prieſts to offer [18] ſacrifice;
Iacob ſhall be [26] mine owne.

34 OF Zedekiah's captiue ſtate,
[2] and City ſet on fire,
See and how ſeruants freed [8], are forc'd
to ſeruice to [11] retire.

PLague, ſword and famine for this [17] ſinne,
I will for you proclaime:
Your Cities ſhall be burn'd with fire,
none ſhall therein remaine.

35 QVickly goe to the [2] Recabites,
and bid them drinke [5] ſome wine,
From fathers charge (who them forbad)
they [6] would no whit decline.

REturne (ſaid I) and leaue your [13] ſinnes,
but you did not regard;
You will I curſe [17]: but Rechabites
with [18] bleſſings [19] will reward.

36 SHut vp [5] I am: & Beruch write
and in [6] Gods houſe doe read
Theſe words of God in ſome (perchance [7])
they will repentance breed.

THey doe proclaime [9] a ſolemne faſt,
the roule is [10] read to all:
The Princes hearing [14] preſently
doe for the writing call.

VNto the King the Princes will,
the things they [16] heard declare,
Goe hide thy ſelfe and Ieremie.
let [19] none know where you are.

APart of Gods word King heares [23] read,
he cuts, he burnes the reſt;
A new roule Beruch writes wherein
more iudgements [32] are expreſt.

BVrning Gods word the King [35] himſelfe
Nor ſeruants once did feare:

Some

Some did intreat him to refraine [25],
but he disdain'd to heare.
COmmanding for to take Beruch
the Lord both them [26] doth hide,
For this the King [27] and seruants all,
sore [37] iudgments must abide.

37 DEsparing of the victory,
Chaldeans [5] goe away:
The King here to the prophet sends
that he for them should pray.
ENquirers tell the [7] King (quoth he)
Chaldeans [8] shall returne;
And certainly shall conquer him
and City sacke and burne.
FOr fugitiue he taken [11] is,
they beat [12] him shamefully:
In [8] dungeon long he lyes, yet tells
the Kings [17] capatiuity
GRant liberty ô [18] Lord my King
I doe thee humbly [20] pray.
He [21] yeelds and bids while bread doth last,
he should haue some each day.

38 HE is [1] by [2] false [3] suggestion
into a [4] dungeon [5] cast,
Deepe, [6] darke and myrie, [7] Ebmelech
doth get him [11] out at last.
IF thou wilt saue thy life (ô King [7])
goe yeeld thee to thy foe:
If not this Citie shall be burn'd,
and thou [23] indure much woe.
KIngs conference with [24] Ieremie
from Princes is kept backe,
And he himselfe in [28] prison kept,
till Citie went to wracke.

39 LOe here they take [1] Ieruſalem,
King [4] flies, ſonnes [6] ſlaine in ſight:
His eyes put out, to [7] Babylon ſent,
chain'd, [8] ruin'd all about.

MAke much of [11] Ieremie (ſaith the [12] King)
Ebedmelech [14] ſafe ſhall be,
From furious [17] foes whom he ſo feares,
he put his truſt [18] in me.

40 NAbuzaradan letting free,
the [4] Propher giues him leaue
To goe with him to Babylon
or to Gedaliah cleaue.

OF victualls ſtore a good [5] reward
he had at captiues hand;
And to Gedaliah then hee [6] goes,
and dwells in Juda Land.

POore men and rich all [7] flocke to him,
he bids them [9] nothing feare;
To ſerue the King of Babylon,
to them he there doth ſweare.

QVietly in your Cities [10] dwell,
and gather fruit and oile:
Then all the [11] Iewes diſpers'd abroad
returne [12] to country ſoyle.

REuealed is by Iohanam,
a [14] foule conſpiracie;
That Iſhmael will Gedaliah kill
he [16] ſaith it is a lye.

41 SLaine [2] is [3] Gedaliah and many [4] moe,
by bloody Iſhmaels [5] hand,
From him the [11] captaines [13] reſcued are,
he ſcapes [14] into Amonites [15] hand.

THen Iohanam and [16] captiues eke,
with thoſe that [17] reſcued were.

To

To Ægypt purpoſed to goe:
they Babels [18] King did feare.

42 VNto [1] Ieremiah then they come
[2] intreating him to [3] pray,
And know of God what they [5] ſhould doe,
And they will [6] ſure obey.
ASſured are they to be ſafe,
if they in Iudah ſtay:
but to be ſlaine in Egypt land,
if that they goe away.
BEcauſe of your hypocriſie,
when me to God you ſent,
Aſſuring that ye would obey,
when nothing leſſe you meant:
COnſum'd by [19] ſword and peſtilence,
by famine [20] ſhall ye bee
In Egypt which [21] you ſo deſire,
that is the [22] Lords decree.

43 DIſgrac'd is [3] Ieremies Prophecie,
they ſaid 'twas [3] Baruchs deed;
That the Chaldeans might them kill,
and into Babell lead.
EVery perſon [5] Iohanam
takes into Egypt land,
Which Ieremie [10] ſaith the Lord will [11] giue,
into th'Chaldeans [12] hand.

44 FOr their Idolatries [3] foule and vaine
and great [3] abomination
In Iuda; Ieremie [21] doth declare,
their wofull deſolation.
GOd hath done this in [2] your owne ſight,
why [7] will ye not obey?
But anger him [8] in Egypt here,
by doing [9] worſe then they.

Hauing

HAue you forgot the [9] wickednesse
of all your fathers old,
That you to doe as bad or [10] worse
will waxe so desperate bold?
IN Ægypt therefore by the [12] sword,
or famine shall ye fall:
None shall returne, you shall be [13] curst,
and perish great and small.
KNowing that they had incense [16] burnt,
they said they would [17] persist,
And offer cakes to th Queene of heauen,
let him say what he list.
LEauing long off t offer to her,
we haue felt woe and want:
But then we had a merry [19] world,
no kind of food was scant.
MArke therefore all (except a few [27])
shall perish in this land:
King Phar'oh also shall be plagu'd,
marke then whose [28] words shall stand.

45 NO rest I find (thus Beruch [3] moanes)
I mourne, I faint with griefe
Now woe is me, I see no hope,
that [3] God will send reliefe.
OBeruch I will quite breakedowne
the things I built before:
And plucke vp plants I planted [4] erst,
the Land Ile plague full sore.
PRepar'st or expect'st thou
great things [5] whereon to stay:
Be glad that I haue granted thee,
thy life for gainfull prey.

46 QVite ouerthrowne at [6] Euphrates,
shall Pharohs armies bee:

His

His mightie men shall be stracke [10] downe,
and great destruction see.
RVling much like a [11] raging flood,
they [12] by thy [13] conquer all,
but with their blood [14] swords shall be drunke,
they d finally shall fall.
Iacob be of good [15] cheare
at nothing be dismayd,
I bring thy seed from [17] captiue state,
none shall make them afraid.
Idee for thy sinne I will chastise,
in measure [18] and in loue,
but thou shalt be at rest and ease,
and still thy kindnesse proue.

47 VPon the Philistines wofull [1] plagues
are said to be at hand:
s ouerflowing floods their [2] foes
doe couer all their land.
AT stamping of their sturdy [3] steeds,
a rushing rumbling wheles;
he fathers look'd not [8] backe vpon
their children at their heeles.
BAldnesse is [5] come vpon Gaza,
all helpers [4] that remaine
t fire [6] Zidon and Askelon
by Gods sword [7] must be slaine.

48 CONtempt [16] of God and of his [17] folke
and [7] for thy lofty [19] pride,
Moab howle for all the [3] land
sore iudgements must abide.
DEstroy'd shall all thy Cities be,
for their securitie:
nd cursed shall they be that doe,
Gods works deceitfully.

Euen

EVen for their [14] carnall confidence,
being seiled [21] on their lees:
Feare pit and snare shall be [44] thy share,
Iehouah so decrees.

FRom bondage and [47] captiuitie
I will in l. tter dayes
Bring Moabs captiues home againe,
to giue them cause of praise.

49 GRieuous plagues ô ye [1] Ammonites
expect ere [3] long to fall,
Vpon your Cities for your sinnes;
yet [5] some God will recall.

HEare Edom let thy fatherlesse,
and [11] widowes trust in me;
Them I preserue and keepe aliue;
But Esa [8] woe to thee.

IAlso in Damascus [27] wall
will kindle such a fire,
As shall consume their [26] palaces,
Ile plague both sonne and sire.

KEdar and Hazor [28], Babels King
doth [30] purpose for to smite;
That of their goods [29] they should be spoyl'd,
and they [31] consumed quite.

LAment thou Elam, God will breake
thy Law, thy might and maine:
Yet after many [39] dayes hee'l bring
thy captiues backe againe.

50 MErodach with her Images
are brake in peeces small:
Bell and Babell are quite destroy'd,
Inhabitants banisht all.

NAtions shall [3] come out of the North,
holding the [4] lance and bow;

And

d many Kings to make the like
to [40] Sodoms ouerthrow.

O Come let vs now ioyne our [5] selues
in firme league with the Lord,
all Israel then and Iudah say,
with teares, with one accord.

O Vnthed sore [18] must Babylon be,
of riches all bereft:
stroy her vtterly (saith God)
let [26] nought of her be left.

Q Vickly get out [8] of Babylon,
partake not of her sins;
plague her as she plagued [8] you,
Iehouah now begins.

1 R Euenge will God all Israels [34] wrongs
on bloody Babels Land,
bids his people flee [5] away,
lest they doe feele his hand.
Earch out and read his [63] prophecie,
and to it bind a stone,
en cast it into Euphrates,
as [64] signe for Babylon.

2 THen was Ierusalem [7] sackt and spoyl'd,
Zedekiahs [10] sonnes are slaine,
is eyes put out, he's [11] caried
to Babel bound in chaines.
Vinedressers [16] Nabuzaradan leanes,
and takes [15] away the rest:
ods house he burnes, and [13] eke the Kings,
the braueſt and the best:
ALL vessells of the [17] Sanctuary
he carieth quite away:
he [24] Priests and persons principall
did King [27] of Babell slay.

BY this same King foure thousand [32] Iewes,
and hundred six are led
Poore captiues into Babylon,
by new [34] King Iewes King fed.

LAMENTATIONS.

Chapt. *An. Mundi.*

1 ALL solitarie Salem [1] sits,
her sinne hath wrought her shame:
Her state is now most miserable,
which was of glorious fame.
BEcause none come to [4] solemne feasts,
the wayes of Zion mourne:
The Priests lament, of Sabbath dayes
their [7] enemies made a scorne,
COnsider all ye [11] passers by,
no griefe is like to mine:
The cruell force of [13] furious foes,
I can no way decline.
DIstressed [20] sore I am (O Lord)
but iustly [18] for my sinne:

A grieuous rebell tō thy [20] Lawes,
and statutes haue I beene.
EXceeding glad mine [21] enemies are
my greife to heare and see:
O plague them for their [22] sinne (O Lord)
as thou hast plagued me.

2 FRom heauen to th'earth, how [1] hath the Lord
cast downe faire Israel:
His Sabbath feasts are all [6] forgot,
and house where he did dwell.
GOd hath cast off his holy [7] Altar,
despised priest [8] and King:
The Prophets (flattering men [14] in sinne)
haue seene vaine foolish things.
HEr Elders sit vpon [19] the ground,
mine eyes with teares [11] do faile,
To see that famine in the [12] streets
did sucklings sore assaile.
IN wrath shall women [20] eate their babes?
shall young and [21] old be slaine?
Thou call'st my [22] terrours round a bout,
none now aliue remaine.

3 KNow that I haue [3] affliction seene,
with sorrow, griefe and paine:
My flesh and [4] skin, he withered hath,
and heauy made [7] my chaine.
LOrd thou art good to them that [25] seeke,
and waite [26] vpon thy loue:
Its good that men euen in their [27] youth,
his yoke should beare and proue.
MEn willingly he doth [33] not grieue,
not doth he take [36] delight
To crush the prisoners [34] vnder foot,
nor hinder [35] poore mans right.

NO pity hast thou had [45] on vs,
yet should a man [39] complaine
When he is punisht for his sinne?
no, let vs [40] turne againe.

O Lord, thou quickly heardst my [56] voice,
when I on thee did call:
Thou plead'st [58] my cause, redeem'st my life
from bondage, griefe and thrall.

PVrsuing [61] enemies thou hast heard,
they [63] me their musicke make:
Reward them [64] as they well deserue,
and on them vengeance [66] take.

4 QVestionlesse those Sodoms [6] plagues,
for sinne, were not so great,
As ours, when louing mothers [10] sod
their tender babes for meat.

REd scarlet they that vs'd to [7] weare,
the dunghills doe embrace:
None thought that [13] Salem should haue seene,
or beene in such a case.

SVre hopes and helps did faile [17] vs quite,
the blood of holy Saints,
Shed by the [15] Priests and Prophets false,
hath [18] caus'd so sore [19] complaints.

THy punishment 's accomplished,
([21] ô Zion daughter deare)
Thou Edom must drinke of his [22] cup,
hee'le make thee quake and feare.

5 VNto vs (Lord) our [1] wood is sold,
strangers [2] possesse our lands:
Orphanes we are [3] and fatherlesse,
in persecuters hands.

ALL mirth is vnto mourning turn'd [15]
all ioy [15] of heart is gone;

Seruants

Seruants beare rule, and vs to helpe [8],
or rescue there is none.
BRead was with perill of life [11] procur'd,
the maids eke rauish'd were,
Princes are hang'd vp [12] by their hands,
for sinne, [13] woes euery where.
CAst is our crowne vnto the ground,
why dost thou vs [20] forsake?
Turne vs, and turned shall we be,
[21] vs for thy seruants take.

EZEKIEL.

Chapt. *An. Mundi.*

1 AT Chebar [1] in Chaldea-land,
(see both the month and yeare)
When to Ezekiel from the north [4],
foure Cherubins [5] appeare.
BEhold they had the face of man [10],
of Eagle and oxe also:
Of Lyon fierce, these that way went,
the [12] which the spirit did goo.

CO nioyned each in other then,
he doth [15] behold foure wheeles:
Which (whither the ſpirit [20] doth remoue)
doe run, remoue and reele.

DOwne to the ground then did I fall,
[29] when I the throne [26] did ſee:
And him that ſate vpon the ſame,
moſt like a man to be.

2 EZekiel is by heauenly charge,
to Iſraels [3] people ſent,
To tell what plagues they [5] ſhould indure,
vnleſſe they did repent.

FEare not their faces, though [6] thou doſt,
among ſuch ſcorpions dwell,
Who (with their fathers) ſhameleſſe [7] are,
and alwayes did rebell.

GO ſpeake whether they heare [7] or no.
(for they are too too bad)
Yet ſhall they know, that to inſtruct [5],
they once a Prophet had.

HEare what I ſay, be [8] not like them,
eate thou this rowle alſo:
In which there was on both ſides [10] writ,
great ſorrow, griefe and woe.

3 IEate the booke, and in my mouth
it was [3] exceeding ſweet:
Speake not to ſtrangers [5], they would heare [6],
and doe what thing is meet.

KNow that my people will not [7] heare,
yet ſpeake without [9] all feares,
Ile make thy forehead [8] full as hard,
and face as ſtrong as theirs.

LOe I a watchman haue thee [17] made,
if thou ſhalt warning giue:

And

And men ſhall leaue [18] their wickedneſſe,
then thou and [19] they ſhall liue.
MEn vpright if they [20] fall, and ſhall
commit iniquitie,
And thou forewarne [21] not, thou and they,
ſhall then moſt ſurely dye.
NOw when I ſaw the glory of [23] God,
I fell vpon my face:
Then ſaid the Lord, they will thee [24] bind,
goe ſhut thee in thy place.
OSonne of man Ile [26] make thee dumb,
to ſpeake thou ſhalt forbeare:
But when I ſpeake, then ſhalt [27] thou ſay
rebellious people heare.

4 POurtray vpon a tyle (as type)
[1] Ieruſalem of fame:
Pitch campes againſt her [2] round about,
as ſignes [3] of future ſhame.
QVietly firſt on left ſide lye [4],
their ſinnes lay on the City:
Then lye on [6] right ſide, to foreſhew,
their ſpoyle [8] without all pity.
REceiue wheat, barley, lentiles, [9] beanes,
millet and fitches take:
Make bread thereof, and with mans dung,
ſee that the ſame thou bake.
SO ſhall they eate defiled [13] bread,
with great aſtoniſhment:
And for their ſinne ſhall pine [17] away,
when all their food is ſpent.

5 THine haire [1] cut off, burne ſome with fire,
ſome cut [2] about with knife:
Some few bind in thy [3] skirts, reſt burne,
as ſignes [4] of fiery ſtrife.

VPon [8] them [10] will I powre my [11] plagues,
my ſtatutes they haue [6] chang'd,
Refuſing [11] my commandements,
from me [7] th'are quite eſtrang'd.

A Famine ſword, and peſtilence,
[17] them therefore ſhall deuoure:
All people ſhall admire the plagues [15]
which I on them will powre.

6 BRoke downe ſhall all your Idols [4] be,
your ſlaine men ſhall be caſt
Before your [5] Idols, Altars all,
and Cities ſhall be [6] waſt.

CAptiues which are diſpers'd [8] abroad,
ſome few ſhall ſcape the ſword;
Who ſhall lament, and loath [9] themſelues,
for caſting off my word.

DIrefull famine, [11] ſword, peſtilence,
ſhall ſo [12] deſtroy their dayes:
That they [13] ſhall know I am the Lord,
that ſmite for ſinfull wayes.

7 ENduring [1] ills, and laſting [2] plagues [3]
yea [4] direfull deſolation
Ile ſend vpon [5] the land (ſaith God)
for their [8] abomination.

FVrious anger ſhall they feele,
I will no pity [9] take,
But plague [10] them for their ſinfull pride,
of [11] all Ile hauocke [12] make.

GReat famine, ſword [15] and peſtilence
the ſinfull ſort ſhall proue;
Thoſe that eſcape ſhall for their [16] ſinne,
on hills mourne like a doue.

HOrror and ſhame ſhall couer [18] them,
in ſackcloth ſhall they goe:

Their

eir siluer shall they cast [19] ith streets,
no wealth shall saue from woe.
N glory he his Temple set,
[20] there they set Idols vile:
ecues therefore therein enter shall,
to [21] spoyle and to defile.
King, Prince and people [27] shall be vex'd,
plague [25] vpon plague [26] Ile raise,
bloody [23] crimes, they shall receiue
according to their [27] wayes.

LOe here a fiery vision,
is [2] shewed from the Lord:
Image seene of Iealousie,
which makes them all abhorr'd:
MAny foule beasts abominable,
and [10] creeping creatures all:
Isr'els Idols there he sees,
pourtray'd vpon the wall.
NEere them did Isr'els [11] ancients stand,
with censers in their hand:
cense went vp, and then they [12] said,
God doth not vnderstand.
DTurne about, and thou shalt see
[13] yet more abomination:
Tammuz, women weeping [14] sate,
and made great lamentation.
DErceiu'st thou not (thou sonne of [15] man)
how they adore the Sunne?
these their foule Idolatries,
[18] they shall be all vndone.
QVickly call them that haue the [1] charge
with weapons in their hands:
[illegible]

RAyment of white, one of them had,
with inkhorne at his side:
Vpon the Cherub (where it [3] was)
Gods glorie did not bide.

SET thou a marke (saith God) on [4] those
that mourne and crie for sinne:
Kill all the rest, [5] man, woman, child,
and at my [6] house begin.

THen did I cry, and say (Ah Lord)
wilt thou [8] such hauock make?
He said their sinnes [9] were wondrous great,
he [10] would no pity take.

VNto the man in linnen [11] cloath'd,
God doth his will discouer, [12]
And bids him fierie coales dispersle
euen [13] all Ierusalem ouer.

AGaine he sees the [14] vision
at Chebar which [15] appear'd;
Of [16] Cherubins, and wheeles which [17] stood,
and [17] were together rear'd.

11 BEcause like heathens you haue [18] liu'd,
and vs'd their manners vaine:
Because your princes haue [2] presum'd,
and many people slaine.

COnfounded [3] shall you be with [9] sword,
my plagues on you I le spend?
Downe then I fell, and [13] said (ah Lord)
wilt make a finall end.

DEclared then [16] it was to mee
that (though he cast our some)
He would their sanctuary be
in countries where they come.

ESstranged long, and scattered,
though they farre off doe dwell;

Hee'l bring them backe, giue them [17] againe
the land of Israel
FRom thence all deteſtable [18] things
they quite away ſhall take:
My ſpirit, all their ſtony [19] hearts
ſhall ſoft, and fleſhy make,
GRacious God to them I'le [20] be,
to me they ſhall be deare:
But I will ſurely plague them all,
my name [21] that will not feare.
HEre Israels God the city [22] leaues,
and doth on mountaine ſtand:
Ezek'el is againe [25] conuai'd
into Chaldea land.

12 IN midſt of a rebellious houſe
thou [2] ſonne of man doſt dwell;
Who though they haue both eyes and eares,
heare and ſee ne'r a deale.
KNit vp thy ſtuffe; goe from thy place;
this doe in peoples ſight;
So ſhall the King and [11] people all
goe Captiues [12] in th' twilight.
LIke as thou didſt [5] dig through the wall
to [6] beare thy ſtuffe away
Vpon thy ſhoulders; in that ſeige,
tell them that ſo ſhall they.
MOreouer, quaking eate thy bread,
and [18] trembling water drink;
It may be (though they [9] trecherous be)
they will themſelues bethinke.
NO bread nor drinke ſhall they receiue,
nor [19] any good thing taſt
Without great terrour; for the [20] land
ſhall ſpoyled be and waſt.

O Trecherous [25] house, becauſe you ſay
the [22] dayes and viſions faile:
Euen in your daies Ile ſpeake [24] the word,
and you ſhall ſee't [25] preuaile.

13 PRopheſie woes and plagues to [2] light
o; Prophets of Iſr'el;
Who (Fox-like) their [4] owne fancies teach,
and vaine falſe viſions tell.

Q Vite ouerthrowne [9] you [6] ſhall all be,
you ſay Thus ſaith the Lord;
Setting your owne lyes ſtill [7] abroach,
when I ſpake no ſuch word.

R Ent in my rage with ſtormie [13] ſhowers,
and winds ſhall be the wall
With your vntemperd morter [11] made,
toth' ground it ſure ſhall fall.

S O ſhall the daubers [15] alſo fall
that preach'd to Iſr'el peace;
When there was none, but bloody [16] broyles
were threatned to encreaſe.

T O women Propheteſſes eke,
pronounce [17] my curſe and woe,
That hunt the ſoules of my deare [18] Saints,
but let the guilty goe.

V Illely will you pollute [19] my name
for barly and for bread;
Will you make ſtrong the wicked [22] crew,
and make the righteous dread.

A Gainſt [20] you will I ſet my ſelfe,
whom you hunt [21] I will free:
And take them [23] from your cruell hands,
but plagued [18] ſhall you be.

14 BEfore me certaine Elders [1] ſate,
with Idols in their heart,

Shou

Should I (ſaith God) to ſuch [3] as theſe
my minde and will impart?
COncerning mee, who comes [4] t' enquire,
with ſinne before his face,
A ſigne and Prouerbe ſhall he be,
I'le [8] cut him from his place.
DEceiued if the Prophet be,
him [9] I the Lord deceiue:
Falſe Prophet and the [10] man deceiu'd
ſhall both like iudgements haue.
EVen now repent, from Idols [5] turne,
from all abominations:
That I may bee your louing [11] Lord,
and ſaue from deſolations.
FOr when a land ſhall grieuouſly
by wickednesſe tranſgreſſe,
By famine, ſword or peſtilence,
my wrath I will expreſſe.
GOe through the land when my [17] ſword ſhall,
Iob, Noah and Daniel,
Should onely haue their liues [18] preſeru'd,
if they therein did dwell.
HOw much more when I ſend foure [21] plagues,
ſword, famine, noiſome beaſt,
And peſtilence to cut off all,
the greateſt, and the leaſt.
IN it a remnant I'le [22] preſerue,
who ſhall obſerue my lawes;
Whom when you ſee what I haue [23] done,
you'l ſay I had good cauſe.
15 KNowne tis to all, the vine [2] branch is
to euery worke vnfit:
No man can make a [3] pinne thereof
to hang a thing on it.

Loe,

LOe, being cast into the fire,
both [4] ends and midst doe burne;
So fruitlesse [7] Salem shall be burnt
for sinne [8] they sore shall mourne.

16 MOst wretched was thy naturall [9] state,
like infant newly borne,
Cast out, polluted in thy [5] blood,
and vtterly forlorne.

NO man did pittie thine [6] estate,
yet as I passed by
I tooke thee vp, and bad thee liue,
and did thee [7] multiplie.

OF bare and naked breasts, I did
with ornaments thee deck;
I put on [10] bracelets on thy hands,
and chaines [11] vpon thy neck.

PErfectly pure thy beautie [14] was
through my perfection rare:
Then thou on Idols all bestow'd,
and for no [15] cost didst spare.

QVickly hadst thou and quite [16] forgot
thy first estate so [22] vile;
And with strange [16] whoredomes euery where
thy lewdnesse thou didst defile.

ROund thee about, I'le gather [37] them
with whom thou took'st delight;
Thy nakednesse I will [39] disclose
in all that peoples sight.

STone thee with stones they [40] shall, and burne
thy houses all with fire;
Thou shalt no longer [41] play the whore,
nor giue thy louers hire.

THy sister Sodom [46] thou exceeds,
Samaria [47] eke in sinne;

Pride

Pride, gluttony and idleneſſe
did all abound therein.
VNto the poore [49] they ſhew'd no loue,
yet thou art worſe then they,
Thou haſt deſpiſ'd the [50] oath thou made,
and wouldſt not me obey.
AT laſt I will call into minde
my [51] cou'nant made with thee,
And thou of all thy former wayes
full [52] ſore aſham'd ſhalt bee.

17 BY parable [53] of two Eagles [54] here,
and [55] alſo of a vine,
Gods plagues on Salem are ſet [56] downe,
becauſe they did decline,
COntrary to their [57] couenant made
with Babels King (before)
From him, to Phar' Egyptian King,
but they are [58] plagu'd therefore.
DOwne will I bring the high [59] greene tree,
it ſhall dry vp and periſh;
The Cedar of the [60] Goſpell then
ſhall wonderfully flouriſh.

18 EVery ſoule that ſinnes [61] ſhall dye,
but he that hateth ſinne,
(As Vſury, Adulterie)
and will not liue therein.
FRom all [62] iniquitie who flies,
and doth the [63] poore relieve,
Who keepes my lawes, and truely [64] deales,
that man ſhall ſurely liue.
GOD ſaith who doth beget a [65] ſonne
that hates the thing that's good,
And liues in ſinne; that ſonne [66] ſhall dye,
and periſh in his blood.

HIs sonne that sees his father sinne,
and [19] will doe no such thing,
He shall not dye: but fathers [18] sinnes
the fathers soule shall sting.
IF wicked men will turne from [21] sinne,
and doe the thing that's right;
Their sinne shall not be [22] mentioned,
nor once come in my sight.
KNow also if a righteous man
reuolt [26] and turne to sinne
(His former goodnesse I'le forget)
he sure shall dye therein.
LIue godly therefore, [31] make your hearts,
and spirits all anew:
I haue no pleasure in your [32] death,
which for your sinne is due.

19 MOurne for the Kings [1] of Israel,
which were like [2] Lyons whelpes,
Deuouring [3] men, but after [8] caught,
and destitute [9] of helpes.
NO vine [10] more fruitfull was then [11] thine,
though baren now it bee:
And [13] fruitlesse (Salem) for thy sinne,
A grieuous [14] thing to see.

20 O [1] me dare you come to [3] enquire,
(elders of Israel?)
Cause them to know how [4] tearefully
their old forefathers fell.
PEruersely they in Ægypt delt,
in [5] wilderneſſe [10] likewise:
In Canaan their [27] Idolatry
to me for vengeance cryes:
QVite from among you will I [38] purge
the rebels that transgresse;

And

And by my gospell [24] gather you,
and so my loue [41] expresse.

REgard (ô Salem) for [46] as God
this forrest burnes with fire;
So for thy [47] sinne hee'll thee destroy
in his hot kindled ire.

21 SIgh sonne of man with [6] bitternesse
in all the peoples sight:
My sword shall cut off [5] good and bad
in that same bloody fight.

THus saith the Lord, a [10] sharpened sword,
a slaughter sore shall make,
It's put into the [11] slayers hand,
should we our pastimes take?

VPon the Princes shall it [12] be,
and people of Israel;
O cry and howle, it spareth none,
where e're they [16] goe or dwell.

APpoint a way that this my [20] sword,
may come to Iudah land:
Their oathes and [23] other sinnes are knowne,
therefore they [24] cannot stand.

BEhold thou Prince of Israel,
so wicked, [25] stout and strong:
Thy crowne I'le giue to him, to [27] whom
it doth of right belong.

COncerning wicked Ammon [28] say,
that kindled is mine [31] ire:
They shall be [32] slaine, and all be made
fit fuell for the fire.

22 DIuers sonle sinnes are here set [3] downe,
which did in Salem raigne:
Blood, murther, and adulterie,
that citie sore [4] did staine.

Euerie

EVery [6] Prince shed guiltlesse blood,
the [7] children did set light
By Parents deare, the poore were sore
oppresst by men of night.
FAtherlesse, and the widdowes eke
haue vexed beene in thee,
My holy things prophaned [8] are,
and Sabbaths broken be.
GReedily by extortion,
of [12] neighbours hast thou gain'd
By vsurie, and increase also,
but mee thou hast disdain'd.
HEare therefore I haue smit my [13] hands,
at thy dishoneſt gaine:
I will disperse thee [15] farre from home,
thy sinnes [16] shall be thy bane.
ISraels house is drosse [18] become;
I [19] melt them all away;
Prophets conspire, they soules deuoure,
and rauen for the prey.
KNowne are her Priests my law to breake,
and difference none to make
Betweene the holy and prophane,
my sabbaths eke they breake.
LIke rauening Wolues her Princes are,
the Prophets dawbe and lie,
The people vex the need' and poore,
and strangers wrongfully.
MY wrath therefore on them I'le powre,
for not a man did stand
Before mee, to intreat for grace,
that I might spare the land.

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and eke their whoredomes vile;

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who [3] did themselues defile.
ONe of them is [5] Samaria,
th' other Ierusalem;
both doted on [12] th' Assyrians,
and play'd the whores with them:
Plagu'd by [9] th' Assyrians [10] both [25] must be,
the [39] slew their children deare
to Idols, and then in my house
before me did appeare.
QVake (ô ye old [43] adultresses)
for [40] poyled shall you bee,
that others may like [48] lewdnesse leaue,
when they your plagues shall see.
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with flesh and [5] bones that boyles,
all burnt, so is the Citie of [15] blood,
giuen to remedilesse spoyles:
SHee wearied [2] out her selfe with lyes,
was [13] filth' in all her wayes;
thy furious force [14] she sore shall feele,
for sinne shee dearly payes.
THine eyes desire, thy wife so [17] deare
with deadly stroke shall dye;
yet neither shalt thou mourne nor [18] weepe,
nor yet walke mournefully.
VNto the house of Israell say,
my Temple I le prophane,
which is your eyes and hearts desire,
your Children shall be slaine.
AS I haue done, yet you shall doe,
from mourning see you stay:
but for your sinne, each one of you
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at thy dishonest gaine:
I will disperse thee [15] farre from home,
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25 Behold

25 BEhold the vengeance of the Lord
vpon the Ammonites,
On Moab, Seir, Philiſtims,
and eke on Edomites.
CLapping their hands, they did reioyce
at Iſraels fatall fall;
But they that ſo laught at their harme,
are here conſumed all.

26 DEſtroy'd by [3] many nations,
triumphing Tire ſhall bee,
Becauſe ſhee ſaid, [2] Aha, the wealth
of Salem's turn'd to me.
ENgines of warre [9] againſt thy walls
ſhall [7] King of Babell ſet;
To plague thee for thy ſcoffing [12] ſpite
the Lord will not forget.
FEare, terrour, and [15] aſtoniſhment
ſhall be [16] vpon the nations,
When they [17] ſhall ſee thy woefull caſe,
and dolefull deſolations.

27 GLorious [3] was thy ſtate (ô Tire)
for traffick, and [24] for trade
With all the [25] nations of the world,
which [20] thee ſo rich hath made.
HOwle ſhall thy Mariners, [31] Merchants eke
moſt bitterly ſhall cry,
To ſee thee caſt into the [34] ſeas,
with all thy company.

28 IN pride puft vp, [2] blaſphemouſly,
thou ſaiſt I am a god,
O Prince of Tire, but thou [7] ſhalt feele
my ſore reuenging [10] rod.
KIng, thou waſt perfect in thy [15] waies
till ſinne was found in thee;

u haſt defil'd the [18] Sanctuaries,
nd therefore burn'd muſt be.
Et Zidon know, that for her [20] ſinne,
shee needs muſt feele my hand,
I my ſcattered [24] Iſraell
will bring [25] ſafe to their land.
Mark here thy iudgments (Pharaoh [3] King)
becauſe thou proudly ſaid,
riuer is mine owne, and I
it [3] for my ſelfe haue made.
NO foot of man, nor beaſt [11] ſhall paſſe
throughout all Egypt land
fortie yeares; that I am God,
well [9] ſhalt thou vnderſtand.
OF beaſts thou ſhalt be [5] eaten vp,
and of the foules alſo,
cauſe thou waſt to [16] Iſrael
a falſe diſſembling foe.
PErceiue, that after fortie [13] yeares,
ye ſhall returne againe
o Egypt, but a kingdome [15] poore,
and baſe thou ſhalt remaine.
QVick ſeruice King of [18] Babell did
againſt the men of Tire,
e ſhall haue Egypt [19] for his paines,
to [20] pay his armies hire.
ROE Elate and ſay, woe worth the [2] day,
the time is neare at hand,
hen woefull [5] deſolation
ſhall come on Egypt-land.
SOre plagues and paines ſhall [6] vex, and ſpoile,
her helpers great and ſmall,
he King of Babell ſhall [24] be ſtrong
to kill and conquer all.

31 Thou

31 THou Pharaoh King, whom [2] art thou like
the Assyrian [3] Cedar see,
For all his great [4] magnificence,
for pride cut downe is he.

VPon thy selfe and multitude,
like plagues [8] the Lord will bring,
Downe to the death thou shalt be brought,
O Pharaoh mightie King.

32 A Woe full lamentation [9] make
for Egypts fearfull fall:
Who (though thou bee young Lyon like,
and as a great sea Whale,)

BY many people in my net,
thou [5] shalt be caught at length,
And shalt by King of Babels [11] sword
be spoyl'd for all thy strength.

33 CRie to the people, warne [3] them of
the sword approaching neere:
Who heares and will [4] not warned be,
his sinne and shame shall beare.

DVely if thou wilt not [8] forewarne
the wicked of his sinne:
Thou shalt be guiltie of his blood,
but he shall dye therein.

EVery wicked man that [19] turnes,
resoluing to liue well,
Shall liue: O turne, why will [11] yee dye,
ye house of Israel.

FRom vpright [15] waies, when vpright men
shall [18] turne and sinne commit,
(His former goodnesse quite forgot)
he sure shall dye in it.

GOds wayes are equall, iust and right,
mans [16] wayes peruerse, and naught;

The

the Land for sinnes [25] abominable
is into ruine [28] brought.

HOe, come and let's goe heare the [30] word,
(thus doe this people say)
they sit before thee, and they [31] heare,
but they will not obey.
N word they loue, their hearts are naught;
of thee they make their song:
ut they shall say another day,
Prophets was there among.

4 Killing their flocks (not feeding [2] them)
false pastors are reprou'd,
f whom the fat and fleece much [3] more
then flocks themselues were lou'd.
Oft sheepe they fought [4] not, but like Lords
with rigour rul'd them all;
ut of their power, I will them [10] free,
and them t' account will call.

MY sheepe, I will seeke [15] out my selfe,
and in good pastures [14] feed,
hough now they eat, and drinke of that,
where your foule feete did tread.
NO longer shall they be [22] your prey,
my seruant Dauid he
hall be their [23] Shepheard; they are mine,
and I their God [24] will bee.
DVt of the Land ill beasts [25] shall cease;
a couenant will I make
f peace with them; blest shall they [26] be,
they shall [28] no dammage take.

5 PRophesie thou [1] against Seir [2] mount,
whose cities I'le lay wast:
hey loued blood, [6] blood shall they haue,
sore [7] iudgements they shall [8] taste.

Quite

QVite ruinated [9] Seir is,
your malice [12] was so great
Against my people; whom you [10] did,
most [11] cruelly intreat.
RIoyce will I to [15] plague you all,
I will reuenge their wrong;
As you with them, so I with you,
[15] will deale before't be long.
36 SPightfully did thy foes then say,
Aha, we [2] now possesse
The ancient places, all is [3] ours,
we swallow more and lesse.
THerefore I in my iealousie,
and [5] in my fury sware,
Your heathenish [7] foes that dwell about,
their sinne and shame shall beare.
VNto my people Israel,
the [8] mountaines fruit shall yeeld;
Ile blesse them more then at the [11] first,
in men, in flockes, in fields.
AS they prophan'd my holy [17] name,
by their owne wayes and deeds:
So I dispers'd them all [15] abroad,
my plague their sinne succeeds.
BVt I had pity for my name,
and [12] not for Israels sake:
Ile bring you [24] home, from Idols [25] clense,
and you my [28] people make.
COrne will I call for, with [29] encrease;
from all your sinnes Ile saue:
All [35] needfull [36] blessings for your [37] soules,
and bodies [35] you shall haue.
37 DEad hope [11] of Israell is reuiu'd,
(though now [12] dispersed once)

They

hey ſhall haue life, and be reſtor'd
like theſe drie [2] breathleſſe bones.
Phraims ſticke, with [15] Iudah's ioynd,
and put in Prophets hand,
eclare their vnion, [18] calling home,
and placing in their land.
Rom Idols and falſe worſhips [23] all,
I will them clenſe and keepe:
heir God and ſhepheard I will be,
and they my paſture ſheepe.
Raciouſly [26] with them Ile dwell,
Dauid ſhall be their [25] King:
couenant with them will I [27] make,
they ſhall lacke no good thing.

38 HEre [1] bloody Gog, his army great,
and malice is [8] ſet downe;
ho ſayd he [11] would deſtroy their land,
and take the vnwalled [12] townes.
N that day God will plead with him,
with [22] brimſtone, fire, and ſword,
nd will bee knowne [23] in all mens eyes,
to be the mightieſt Lord.

39 KNow (Gog) thy [1] iudgments wonderfull,
the foules ſhall [4] thee deuoure:
y name ſhall not [7] polluted be,
thou then [6] ſhalt feele my power.
Et Iſr'els conqueſt be obſerv'd,
who for ſeuen yeares did burne
ogs weapons; all that ſpoiled [10] them,
they ſpoyle and ouerturne.
Vch ground for graues are giuen to [11] Gog,
and to his mighty traine:
he Iſraelites for ſeuen months [12] ſpace
are burying all the ſlaine.

NOte here the feast that God [17] doth make
to euerie foule and beast:
How Isr'el [23] (once plagu'd for their [26] sinne)
with blessings are increast.

40 OBserue the [1] Prophets vision well,
the time, [2] manner, and end:
Hee's bid to see, heare and obserue
that Isr'el might attend.

PORch of the house [48] with pillars, post;
the breadth, [49] length measured be,
The [6] gates, [17] courts, [21] chambers, [47] tables right
I there described see.

41 QVickly then after was I [1] brought
the Temple to behold;
Where I saw measured euery [4] thing,
and ornaments [13] foretold.

ROund about all the [17] wall was made
Cherubins and Palme trees,
The Altar, table of the [22] Lord,
gates [24], windowes [26], all he sees.

42 SOuth, East, West, North sides measured
fiue hundred reedes in space, (are
To separate the [19] sanctuary
from euery prophane [20] place.

THE chambers where the Priests [13] did eate,
and holy garments laid:
(Putting their other garments [14] on)
when they for people pray'd.

43 VNto the Temple God [4] returnes,
and spake to me the [7] while:
Saying, this people shall no more
my glorious name defile.

AWay with all your [8] whoredomes vile,
your carkasses of Kings;

posts, and thresholds set by mine,
which your destruction brings.
VT a wall onely was [8] betweene
your thresholds, posts, and mine:
if you will repent hereof,
and will your hearts encline,
Ontinually t' obserue these [11] formes,
and will my lawes fulfill;
ellin the midst [7] of you will I,
nd grant my blessing still.
Vely let [15] Priests and Levites keepe,
(for [15] measures, [22] time, and [21] place)
se ordinances of th' [18] Altar,
od they shall find my grace.
EAst gate for [1] Prince assigned is,
the Priests liue all at large,
ure the [4] temple: Couenant [7] breake,
Gods things keepe [8] no charge.
om Priestly office and holy [9] things
lbanish Leuites [10] all,
Priests that mee forsooke, and did
foule Idol'try fall.
Ates of the house yet they may keepe,
and [11] kill the sacrifice;
adecks [15] sonnes shall be my priests,
y kept my godly [16] guise.
Ere learne how Priests in th' inner [17] court
in linnen must appeare,
the people when they [19] serue
t other garments weare.
nd they are no wine to [21] drinke,
yet [20] their heads to shaue;
dowes must they take for [22] wives,
maidens must they haue.

KEepe his lawes in [24] assemblies all,
and sabbaths sanctifie
They must; and teach the people [25] how
things diuers to descry.

45 LAnds for the [1] sanctuary, [7] Prince,
and city, expreſt [6] at large,
And what the other [8] tribes shall haue,
here is the Princes charge.

MY Princes, let this [9] land suffice,
which here ye doe possesse:
My people by exactions
you [8] shall no more oppresse.

NO violence nor vniust [10] weights
see vs'd in any place;
But iustly deale with [9] euery man,
in euery kind of case.

OBlations and burnt offrings,
that Princes must [17] prepare,
And people, at each solemne [21] feast,
here plaine declared are.

46 PRinces, and people [1] both are [2] taught
on sabbaths and new [3] moones,
How for to [9] worship, what to doe,
and what to leaue vndone.

QVietly all the Princes [16] land,
the sonne shall still possesse;
The peoples land [18] he shall not take,
nor any more oppresse.

ROund about the Court [23] corners
were places for to bake,
And boyle the sin and meate offrings,
which people then did make.

47 SEE (son of man) how from [6] Gods
these holy waters flow:

ey from my [3] ancles, to my [4] loynes,
rom loynes to floods did grow.
These heale the waters of the [8] sea,
giue life to euery land;
hem are fish exceeding store,
n bankes the fishers [10] stand.
Alle miry marishes [11] thereof,
in which these riuers runne,
all not be heal'd, but into pits
f salt they then shall turne.
ALL trees for meat vpon the [12] bankes
of them shall grow and spring,
ose fruit endures, whose leaues [13] likewise,
shall health to nations bring.
Y lot the land ye shall diuide
to th' tribes of Israel.
e strangers also lands [23] shall haue,
which doe among you dwell.
CAnaan coasts [1] by portions,
to twelue [23] tribes are diuided;
hat part the City, [8] sanctuary,
and Prince hath, is decided.
Dimensions of the City [30] gates,
and names here read and see:
e Cities name (from that day forth)
IEHOVAH THERE shall bee.

DANIEL.

Chapt. *An. Mu*

1 A Captiue is Iehojakin
to mightie Babels King;
Who him and holy veſſels eke
to [2] Shinars land doth bring.

BY Aſhpenaz is Daniel [3] brought,
with other children three,
That they might [5] ſtand before the King,
new names impoſed bee.

CRauing that they foure might [8] abſtaine
from Kings defiling meat,
And might haue pulſe and [12] water giuen
them onely for to eate.

DAniels countenance and the reſt
far fairer did appeare,
Then they that daily were refreſht
with Kings moſt dainty cheare.

EXceeding knowledge theſe foure had:
Daniel did vnderſtand
Both dreames and viſions: King could find
none [20] ſuch in all his land.

FOr all the ſorcerers [2] in the land,
the King of Babel ſent 3348
To ſhew him his forgotten dreame,
and alſo what it meant.

GRieuouſly he was then [12] diſpleaſ'd,
and ſaid that he would kill
The wiſe men all, who his deſire
herein [13] could not fu fill.

HEre Daniel hindreth [15] the decree,
and [19] findeth out the thing;
He giueth thankes [2] vnto the Lord,
and is brought to the King.

INlatter times, what things ſhall be
God hath O King foretold
By this ſame partie image [31] of clay,
braſſe, yron, ſiluer, gold.

KIng hauing heard the dreame [46] declar'd,
and what ſhould after chance,
Did worſhip Daniel, gaue [48] him gifts,
and highly him aduance.

LO here a golden Image [1] made,
and worſhipped of all;
Excepting three that would not kneele,
nor downe before it fall.

MAD is the king, and doth [19] command
a furnace hett to bee
Exceeding hot, and bad therein
to [20] caſt the children three.

NOw marke the wondrous workes of God,
how he preſerues his owne;
No fire doth burne, or hurt an haire
of them in furnace throwne.

OCome ye forth (then [26] ſaid the king)
bleſt be your God for aye,

That ſent his Angels to [28] preſerue
his ſeruants thus this day.

PVtting their truſt in him alone,
they rather choſe to burne;
Then at the Kings command to bow,
or to falſe worſhips turne.

QVickly will I now make a [29] law,
that who ſo ſpeakes a word
Againſt the God of Iſrael,
ſhall periſh by the ſword.

4 REſting in my ſtately pallace,
a [4] viſion made m' affraid:
A mightie tree, [10] both high and broad,
with [11] branches broad diſplaid.

SHake off the leaues (ſaith watcher [14] then)
hew downe the ſtately tree,
And let his portion be [15] with beaſts,
his heart let changed be.

THis is the [24] meaning of the dreame,
(O king) and Gods decree,
Saith Daniel, thou muſt leaue thy ſtate
and like a beaſt muſt be,

VNtill thou know [25], and well perceiue,
that God doth gouerne ſtill
Both men and kingdomes, giuing them
to whomſoe're he will.

ACcept my counſell (noble king)
by mercy and righteouſneſſe
Breake off thy ſinnes, if by this meanes
thou maiſt theſe ills redreſſe.

BEhold braue Babel (quoth the king)
ſo ſtately built by me:
Then came a voyce and ſaid (O king).
the kingdom's gone from thee.

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Caſt

CAst out he is, among the Beasts
with them he eateth grasse:
But after is restor'd, and set
in [35] state wherein he was.
DIuine praises giuen vnto God
by him, here [37] are set downe,
Who makes the stoutest Prince to stoope,
and fall when he doth frowne.
EVen to a thousand of his [1] Lords,
Belshazzer impiously
A feast did make; vessels [2] prophan'd
he and his company.
FOR which he was [5] affrighted sore
with writing on the wall:
His sorc'rers could not serue his turne;
for Daniel then they call.
GIfts then he offered [17] Daniel,
which he refus'd to take:
He read the writing [3] to the king,
the meaning plaine did make.
HAuing first checkt [35] the wicked king
of pride, idolatry:
Vnto the Medes translated is
that mightie Monarchy.
6 IN chiefest place aboue [2] rest
of rulers, Daniel here
Preferred is, because in [3] him
most graces did appeare.
KIngs matters Daniel [4] manag'd so
in euery kind of case,
That no foes could (although they [5] would)
bring him into disgrace.
LAw of his God he would not breake
but did three times a day

(Not fearing furious Lyons force)
with open windowes pray.

MAlicioufly he is [13] accus'd,
and caſt in Lyons den,
They Daniel [22] ſpare: deuoure [24] his foes,
Gods name's [26] exalted then.

7 NIght viſions ſtrange [3] here Daniel ſees,
foure beaſts of different kind,
Which ſhew foure Kings, and what by them,
the future age ſhould find.

OF Gods moſt glorious kingdome [9] know,
of th'Ancient of dayes,
Who ſits in iudgement: bookes opened,
blaſphemous [11] beaſts he ſlayes.

POſſeſſe a Kingdome ſhall his [8] Saints,
in heauen for euermore:
The beaſts ſhall vexe the Saints [25], change times,
and be deſtroy'd therefore.

8 QVarrelling ramme, with [3] his two hornes,
all other proudly ſcornes:
The hee-goat, with one mighty horne [5],
breakes off the Rammes [7] two hornes.

RIght ſo the King [21] of Grecia,
with his great horne of might,
Both conquer'd King of Media,
and Perſian Prince in fight.

STout, great and ſtrong this hee-goat grew,
and then his horne was broke:
There did ariſe foure other Kings,
which brought men vnder yoke.

THe bloody King Antiochus [10],
ſurpaſſed all the reſt:
By him the Iewes were murthered
and cruelly oppreſt.

Vexing

VExing ſtill [24] Gods deare holy ones,
hind'ring [13] the ſacrifice;
Without [25] mans hand he broken is,
of loathſome death he dyes. Mat. 9.

9 AS Ieremie ſo Daniel,
[2] the yeares doth here relate
Of Salems deſolations
and peoples captiue ſtate.
BY prayer then he ſeekes [3] to God,
the ſinnes he doth confeſſe
Of all eſtates; intreats that he
his mercies would expreſſe.
CONfuſion doth belong [8] to vs
(ſaith he) we would not [6] heare
Thy Prophets ſent, and teaching [10] vs
how we thy name ſhould feare.
DEparting from thy ſacred [11] lawes,
thou doſt vs iuſtly ſmite:
For we haue all done [5] wickedly,
and ſinned in thy ſight.
ENcline thine eare, for thy names ſake
Ieruſalem [16] reſtore;
Thy Sanctuary is [17] deſolate,
O puniſh vs no more.
FOrgiue vs Lord, grant our [19] requeſts,
O make no longer ſtay:
Thy City is call'd by thy name,
O heare thy people pray.
GAbriel then from [21] heauen is ſent,
to Daniel doth declare,
That he is [23] much belou'd of God,
the weekes here numbred are
HOw long the Iewes [24] ſhould captiues liue,
when Salem ſhould againe

Repaire

Repaired be, when Christ shall come,
and for our [26] sinnes be slaine.

10 IN heauinesse [2] I sorrowed sore,
my food I did [3] refraine;
A glorious vision then I [7] saw
which made me quake amaine:
KNow Daniel (said the [11] Angell then)
that I am sent to thee:
Thy words were heard when thou began
first humbled for to bee.
LOe with the Prince of [20] Persia
I will returne to fight:
None holds with me but Michael,
your glorious Prince of might.

11 MIghty King of Grecia [2] land
the Persian [3] Prince doth spoyle;
Kings of the North, and of the South,
each other vexe and foyle.
NO tyranny the Romane [26] power
against the Saints refuse:
He shall pollute the [31] Sanctuary,
all mischiefe muse and vse.
OF God he shall haue no [37] regard,
but puft with deuillish pride,
Aboue all Gods shall list [36] himselfe,
and holinesse deride.
PVissant Kings from North [40] and South,
shall all their forces bend
Against him, and all helpelesse [45] he
shall come to finall end.

12 QVite out of troubles [1] Michael
his Israel shall set free:
The dead shall wake [2], some shall be sau'd,
and some condemn'd must be.

Run

RVn too and fro then many ſhall,
but who hath wiſedome ſtore,
And ſhall turne men to [3] righteouſneſſe,
ſhall ſhine for euermore.
SEt times appointed by [7] th'Angel,
he (lifting vp his hand)
Confirmes by oath; but wicked men
ſhall [10] nothing vnderſtand.
THe wiſe ſhall vnderſtand theſe things:
all they that wait are bleſt:
Goe thou away ô [12] Daniel,
for thou in peace ſhalt reſt.

HOSEA.

Chapt. *An. Mundi.*

1 A Whoriſh wife [2] Hoſea takes,
(a mariage farre vnfit)
God ſo commands, becauſe the Land
great whoredomes did commit.
BY Gomer he had [4] Iezreel,
by whom he doth foretell,
That God would plague both Iehu's houſe,
and houſe of Iſrael.

Conceiuing

CONceiuing, she a Daughter [6] had,
Loruhamah by name,
To shew that God would Isr'el bring
to vtter wracke and shame.

DEtermining to cast them off,
she then Loammi bore,
The rest [10] of Iud' and Israel
Iehouah will restore.

2 ESchew thy foule [2] Idolatries,
lest that thou [3] feele my rods;
And lest I plague [4] thy children deare,
for seruing other gods.

FInding no helpe at Idols [7] hands,
she shall say I will goe
To my first husband, then I had
no such great cause of woe.

GOld which I gaue [8] and siluer store,
they did prepare for Baal;
Not knowing that I gaue them [8] corne,
and wine, and oyle, and all.

HEr lewdnesse I will open [10] lay,
and make her [11] mirth to cease:
I will destroy her wines [12] and figges,
and all her great increase.

IWill allure her [14] afterward,
and giue her each good thing:
Valley of Achor she [15] shall haue,
where she for ioy shall sing.

KIndly they shall me Ishi call;
no longer Baali:
The names thereof they shall avoyd,
as vs'd t'Idolatry.

LYe downe in safety then they [18] shall,
a Couenant I will make

With

With all the Creatures for their good,
for ſpouſe [19] I will them take.
Mine eares ſhall [21] hearken to the heauens,
the heauens ſhall heare the earth,
The earth ſhall heare the fruits [22] thereof,
they Iezreel keepe from dearth.

3 NO care ſhe had of pure [1] worſhips,
like an adultereſſe
To other Gods ſhe look'd, then I
mine anger did expreſſe.
OF Kings and ſacrifice they ſhall
be many [4] daies depriu'd:
But after (ſeeking God aright)
their things are well contriu'd.

4 PItileſſe people, heare Gods [1] word,
he's angry with the Land,
For want of knowledge, mercy, truth,
they nothing vnderſtand.
QVite voyd of grace, they ſweare [2], and lye,
they ſteale, they drab, they kill:
Beaſts, fiſh, and foule Ile [3] take away,
and land with mourning fill.
REproue them not, for they [4] are ſuch,
as with the Prieſts will ſtriue,
Thou and the Prophet both ſhall fall,
[5] not one be left aliue.
SVch plagues for want of [6] knowledge come,
(for I reſpect them not)
Becauſe they haue reiected me,
and all my Lawes forgot.
THe more they had [7], the more they ſinn'd,
their [8] heart on ſinne was ſet;
They haue left off to heare my voice,
I will them not forget.

Vaio

VNto their ſtocks and ſtaues [12] they goe
for counſell and aduice;
And vnder oakes, on [13] mountaine tops,
they offer ſacrifice.
ADultry ſhall your wiues commit,
and whoredome Daughters all.
Vnpuniſht; for your ſacrifice,
th'vnwiſe ſhall ſurely fall.
BAckſliding Iſrael [14] Idols ſerues,
but let not [15] Iudah ſinne:
The bribing rulers loue [16] to ſay,
your gifts apace bring in.
5 COme heare (ô Prieſts) liſten [1] ô King,
giue eare ô Iſrael:
You were a ſnare and in your net
both Mizp and Tabor fell.
DEfil'd is Iſrael [3] Ephraim,
with whordomes groſſe and vile:
Profound reuolting [2] murderers,
though I rebuk'd the while.
EPhraim, Iſrael, Iudah, eke
ſhall [3] all fall in their ſinne:
To frame their deeds, to turne [4] to God,
they will not yet beginno.
FOr Ephraim's walking [11] willingly,
after the lawes of men;
He is oppreſt, th'Aſſyrians could
to him no [13] ſuccour ſend.
GOe from them will I, till that they
with [15] humbled hearts and meeke
Confeſſe their ſinnes, in their diſtreſſe
they will [1] me earely ſeeke.
6 HE that hath wounded, he [1] will heale,
Iehouah moſt of might;

Let

Let vs returne, he will vs [2]raise,
we shall liue in his sight.
IF we hold on to know the [3]Lord
he will know vs againe;
And be to vs, as to the earth,
is first [3] and latter raine.
KInsmen (Iudah and Ephraim)
what [4]shall I say to you,
Your goodnesse is like morning cloud,
and as the early dew.
LIke Light my word and [5]iudgements be,
with which I haue them slaine:
I mercy and knowledge more [6]desir'd
then sacrifices vaine.
MVch murther did their [9]Priests commit,
and deale [7]most treacherously:
Iudah and Isr'el [10] are defil'd
with foule [11] Idolatry.
7 NOne did consider in their [3]hearts,
that I their sinnes did see:
When I desir'd to heale their [1]hurts
their sinnes increased bee.
OF theeues and robbers [1]spoyling men
great store Samaria had;
With lies, and wickednesse they [3]make
both King and Princes glad.
PRinces with their bottles of [3]wine,
the King doth sickly make;
Then he his hand with scornfull men,
doth stretch and party take.
QVite fallen away from me [7]they are,
and will not on me call:
Pride testifieth to their [10]face,
they seeke mee not at all,

Reiecting

REiecting me, they [13] ſtill tranſgreſſe,
they ſeeke for wine [14] and corne:
For their ill tongues they ſhall be [15] plagu'd
and made th' Egyptian ſcorne.

8 SEt thou the trumpet to [1] thy mouth,
the foe ſhall [2] them purſue:
Againſt my Law they haue [3] tranſgreſt,
made Kings [4] I neuer knew.

THy ſiluer Idols, and thy calfe,
Samaria is thy bane:
How long wil't be before [5] that thou
wilt righteouſneſſe attaine.

VP to Aſſyria they are gone,
they hyre among [10] the nations
Louers: Ephraims altars [11] ſure
ſhall be his deſolation.

AS a ſtrange thing they did [12] account,
the great things which I wrote;
They alſo offered ſacrifice
which [13] I accepted not.

BVt I will viſit for their ſinnes,
they [13] ſhall againe returne
To Egypt: I will ſend [14] a fire,
which ſhall their Cities burne.

9 COmplaine thou mayſt (O Iſrael)
thou [1] haſt no cauſe of ioy
As others haue, thou God forſooke,
and he will thee annoy.

DWell in the Lords houſe [5] they ſhall not,
nor will he pleaſure take
In any ſacrifice of theirs
which [4] they to him ſhall make.

EGypts Memphis ſhall bury them [6],
nettels and thornes ſhall bee

In

In all their habitations [7]
they wofull dayes ſhall ſee.
FOr thy great hatred, and much ſinne,
ſpirituall men are mad:
The Prophets fooles, their fearfull [8] ſinnes
are in remembrance had.
GIue them drie breaſts, and barren [14] wombe,
I will them loue no more:
Their Princes did [15] reuolt from him,
and did deſpiſe [17] his lore.
10 HE here reproueth [1] Iſrael,
for their [13] impiety:
And threatned [14] them with direfull [15] plagues,
for their Idolatry.
INcreaſed were their [1] Images,
and Altars in the Land;
But God will ſpoile them, [2] breake them downe,
and will not let them ſtand.
KIng haue we none, we fear'd [3] not God,
(thus ſhall the people ſay)
They falſly ſweare in [4] couenants,
and muſt come to decay.
LEt mountaines hide [8] vs (ſhall they ſay)
let hills vpon vs fall:
It is my pleaſure and deſire,
for to [10] chaſtiſe them all.
MIghty and multitudes of [15] men,
in them thou puts thy truſt:
As ye haue plowed wickedneſſe:
ſo eate the fruit ye muſt.
NOw therefore ſow in righteouſneſſe [12],
and mercy reape for gaine:
Its time to ſeeke the Lord, till he,
his luſtice [12] on you raine.

11 Out

11 OVt of Egypt call'd I my [1] ſonne,
and lou'd him from a child:
They ſacrific'd to Balaim,
my [2] worſhip they defil'd:
PEruerſe Eph'rim I [3] taught to goe,
and led them by their armes;
And yet they knew not it was I
that healed all their harmes.
QVietly with the bands of [4] loue
I drew them; gaue them meat:
Yet were they bent to [5] back-ſliding,
their ſins were wondrous great.
REfuſing to returne, my [7] ſword
conſumes thee (Ephraim)
As Admah City ſhalt thou [8] bee,
and ſet as Zeboim.
SHall I doe this which am [8] not man?
my heart is turn'd in me:
I will not execute my [9] wrath,
deſtroy'd they ſhall not be.
THen ſhall they walke [10] after the Lord,
though ſome deceiue and lye:
(As Iſrael and Ephraim)
I Iudah [11] faithfull try.

12 VNt'Egypt, Ephrim caried oyle;
with Aſhur leagues they make,
With them; and Iacob, for their [2] deeds,
God will iuſt vengeance take,
A Power he had for to [3] preuaile,
with th'Angell much of might:
He wept and pray'd, and found [4] the Lord,
at Bethel in the night.
BE mercifull and iuſt therefore,
[6] ſtill wait vpon the Lord;

Falſe

False Ballances doth Ephr'im [7] vse,
for which he is [14] abhorr'd.
CRuelly he [7] oppressing men,
sayd that he was [8] increast,
Yet shalt thou dwell in [9] Tabernacles,
as in the dayes of feast.
DAyly I spoken haue to them,
and [10] visions multiplyed:
My Prophets by their preaching still
against their sinnes haue cryed.
EXceeding vicious Ephrim [11] was
against his God so good;
And therefore God vpon [14] his head,
did leaue his guilty blood,
13 FEaring, when Ephrim spake [1] to God,
they were exalted all,
But then they dyed when they began
to serue their Idol Baal.
GRowing still worse [2] and worse in sinne,
they serued God by halues:
They made them silver Images,
and bad men kisse the calues.
HOw chaffe is with a [3] whirlwinde driuen,
and smoake away doth fly:
So they shall be, and then shall know:
there's none can saue but I.
IDid them know in [5] wilderneſſe,
I fed and fill'd them [6] well,
They then wax'd proud, my lawes forgot,
and rudely did rebell.
KIll'd shall they be therefore [7], for I
like Lyon fierce and Beare
(Rob'd of her whelps) [8] will them obserue,
to rend, deuoure and teare,

Les

LOe Isr'el, thou hast spoyl'd [9] thy selfe,
the King whom [11] thou didst craue;
I gaue and tooke away in wrath,
there's none but I can saue.

MY people, ô turne to the Lord,
thy sinne hath made thee fall:
Say, Lord receiue vs [3] graciously,
forgiue transgressions all.

NO more shall Ashur, saue vs (Lord)
nor will we euer say
To Idolls, that ye are our Gods,
but praise thy name for aye.

O Lord in thee the fatherlesse,
thy [4] mercy find and proue,
Thou wilt heale their [5] rebellions,
and freely wilt them loue.

PRotector will I alwayes be
to them of Israel:
My wrath from them is turn'd [6] away,
and they shall prosper well.

QVickly they shall as [c] Lillies grow,
their branches still shall flourish,
His beauty like the oliue tree,
my dew his root shal cherish.

REuiue as corne shall all those [8] folke
that doe delight to dwell
Vnder his shade, they flourish shall,
and cast a sweetly smell.

SAy then shall Ephraim [9] what haue I
to doe with Idols vaine?
I then (saith God) did see and heare,
and heale them from their paine.

THe wise shall vnderstand [10] these things,
Gods waies are righteous all:

In them the iuſt and good ſhall waſte;
in them the bad ſhall fall.

IOEL.

Chapt. *An. Mundi.*

1 ALL ye Inhabitants of the [2] Land,
giue eare and liſten well
To all theſe plagues [3] ſent from the Lord;
them to your children tell.
BEhold, the wormes haue [4] eate the fruits,
howle [5] drunkards euery one,
Your foes haue [6] ſpoyl'd the fruits and trees,
and all your [7] wine is gone.
COme faſt, and pray, lament and [14] mourne,
ye Prieſts, and people all:
All ioy is [12] gone: the offerings [13] ceaſe;
on God for [14] mercy call.
DEſtruction from [15] th'Almighty 's come,
the heards and flocks [18] make moane:
The paſtures [19] all are parched vp,
which makes all creatures groane.
EXtend thy loue to vs O Lord;
to thee the beaſts doe cry:

The

The fire their pastures hath [10] deuour'd,
their riuers all are dry:
2 FEare ye and tremble people [1] all,
trumpets in Zion blow:
A darke and gloomie day 's [2] at hand,
and dreadfull ouerthrow.
GReat Armies come against the Land,
the like was neuer seene:
Like hauocke in the ages past,
nor spoyle hath euer beene.
HArtily returne to [11] God,
with teares bewaile your sin;
The Lord is very [13] gracious,
to saue he will begin.
IN Sion sound, and trumpet [15] blow,
assemble great [16] and small:
Let Priests, and Elders pray [17] and say,
Lord spare thy people all.
KInd then and gracious [18] God will be
in sending [19] corne and wine:
To fright away your [20] fearfull foes
he surely will incline.
LEt feare depart [21], reioyce, be glad,
both man [22], and beast againe:
Corne, wine, and oyle, [23] he giues, and sends
the first [24] and latter raine.
MY spirit vpon all flesh Ile [28] poure,
great wonders shall they see:
Sunne shall be darke, and into [30] blood
the moone shall turned be.
NO man in that great dreadfull [31] day
shall haue a finall fall,
But in Mount Zion shall be safe,
euen all whom [32] God shall call.

O Tyre, and Zidon (4 Paleſtine)
who tooke my ſiluer and gold,
into your temples, and my folke
vnto the Grecians ſold,

PAy dearly ſhall you for this 4 thing,
and thoſe that ſpoyled mine:
Who gaue, and ſold, their boyes and girles,
for 5 harlots, and for wine.

QVickly will 7 I my people raiſe,
and will your children 8 ſell
To thoſe, whoſe ſonnes ye ſold before,
euen vnto Iſrael.

RIpe for the ſickle 13 haruеſt is,
mans wickedneſſe is great:
Your plowſhares, and your pruning 10 hookes,
to ſpeares and ſwords doe beat.

SVn, Moone and Starres ſhall looſe 15 their light,
from Zion God ſhall roare:
The earth ſhall quake, but God 16 ſhall ſaue
his people euermore.

THen ſhall the mountaines drop downe wine,
the hils with milke ſhall flow:
In vallies watered from Gods houſe,
ſhall great abundance grow.

VNt Egypt, Edom plagues prepar'd,
for ſhedding guiltleſſe blood:
But to Ieruſalem the Lord
will euermore be good.

AMOS.

Chapt. *An. Mundi.*

1 AMos doth plainly here set downe
Gods [2] fearfull plagues and woes
Vpon th' Assyrians [3], Philistins [4],
and other [5] Israels foes.

BEcause Damascus Gilead [6] thresht
with cruell yron flailes;
Against their Princes [7] pallaces
deuouring fire prevailes.

CVt off are Ashdod, [8] Askelon,
like firie plagues they feele,
Because their Princes [9] captiues made
my people Israel.

DEstruction likewise [10] lights vpon
the Inhabitants of Tyre,
For not remembring brothers loue,
their walles are set on fire.

EDom did his deare brother [11] hate,
and Ammon [12] women ript:
Both these are [13] plagued for their sinnes,
and [14] of all honour stript.

2 For

2 FOr burning King of Edoms [1] bones,
this shall be Moabs hire;
He, and his Princes shall be [3] slaine,
their houses burnt with fire.
GOds lawes, did Iud'and [4] Isr'el breake,
they walkt in fathers sinnes;
Their liues did cause them all to erre,
to plague [5] them God beginnes.
HE saith, because they sold the [6] iust
for siluer and for shooes:
Because the father, and the sonne
in to one woman goes:
IN mine owne [8] house, because they much
pollute my holy name:
Lying on clothes are laid to pledge,
they sure [6] shall suffer shame.
KInd haue I alwayes bene [10] to them,
from Egypt I them brought;
I gaue them land of th'Amorites,
and brought their power to nought.
LOe haue not I (ô Israel)
your [11] sonnes for Prophets rays'd,
And Nazarites? yet haue [10] you done
things that cannot be prays'd.
MVch like a cart sore pres's'd with sheaues,
so I with you am pres's'd:
Therefore shall your couragious [16] men,
be mightily distres's'd.
3 NOw heare [1] what God against you saith,
you onely [2] haue I knowne,
Of all the families of the earth,
and lou'd you as my owne.
OIsrael [2] therefore thy great sinnes,
great plagues will shortly breed;

Two cannot well together [3] walke,
except they be agreed.

PRophets euer [7] acquainted be,
with Gods most secret will:
None euill in a Citie [8] done,
but God hath wrought it still.

QVickly publish ye all [9] abroad,
and bid the assembled see
The tumults and [5] oppressions
which in Samaria be.

RIghtly to deale, they haue [10] no skill,
houses are fill'd with spoiles;
Their foes therefore shall compasse them,
and make most bloody [11] broyles.

SVch slaughter in Samaria [12]
shall in those dayes appeare;
As when men pull from Lyons mouthes
two [13] legs and halfe an eare.

THen will I visite Iacobs [13] house,
their Altars [14] cast to'th ground:
Their palaces of [15] yuory,
shall all be smitten downe.

4 VNmercifull oppressors all,
with [1] kine of Bashan lookes;
Which crush the needy, God hath [2] sworne,
to take y'away with hookes.

AT Gilgal multiply your sinnes,
transgresse ye at Bethel:
Proclaime abroad your free [5] offrings,
for this thing likes you well.

BRead was in all [6] your Cities scant,
I raine from'you [7] with-held,
Yet would ye not returne to me,
but more [8] and more rebell'd.

Cities

Cities with raine, some I refresht,
one peice it rain'd vpon,
From towne to towne they water sought
to drinke, but could find none.

Deuoured with the palmer [9] worme
were fruits, and euery tree,
With sword and pestilence [10] I smote,
yet turn'd ye not to me.

Even as a brand pluckt out [11] o'th fire,
as Sodom were ye shent;
Yet would ye not returne to me,
O Israel [12] now repent.

Feare, and prepare to meet thy God,
he did the mountaines frame:
All things he made, shewes men [13] their thoughts,
Iehouah is his name.

5 Great mourning made for Israel,
of comforts [1] all bereft:
Of thousand, but one [2] hundered,
of hundred ten are left.

Heare what God saith [4], seeke me and liue,
to Gilgal doe not goe:
Gilgal, Bethel, Beersheba,
must tast of captiues woe.

Iudgement ye into [7] wormewood turne,
who doth reproue i'th gate,
And speakes vprightly him they [10] doe
abhorre and deadly hate.

Knowne vnto me [12] are your great sinnes,
the iust they sore affright;
They take a bribe, they turne the poore
in [12] Courts beside their right:

Loue ye, and euer seeke the [14] good,
but hate the thing thats ill;

Eſtabliſh iudgement, it may be
God will be gracious ſtill.
MOurning ſhall be in euery ſtreet,
ſaying, alas, alas;
And in all vineyards (ſaith the Lord)
for I that way will paſſe.
NO light, nor brightneſſe [18] to be ſeene,
but darkneſſe [19] all abhorr'd:
Woe then to them, that doe deſire
that day [18] of God the Lord.
OIſrael I deſpiſe [21] and hate
your meetings and your [22] feaſts;
I care not for your [23] melodie,
nor offrings of fat beaſts.
POure iudgement downe, and [24] righteouſneſſe
as mighty ſtreames of water:
But you for your Idolatrie,
as captiues God will ſcatter.
6 QVake for the woe that God [1] prouides
for them that liue at reſt;
Truſting in the Samaria mount,
and feeding of [4] the beſt.
REioycing in the [5] inſtruments,
which they like Dauid make;
For Ioſephs ſore [6] affliction,
no griefe at all they take.
SEats of oppreſſion ye [3] frequent,
ye all muſt [7] captiues be:
The Lord hath ſworne that [8] he abhorres
all Iacobs dignitie.
TEn in one houſe if there [10] remaine,
they euery one ſhall die;
They turned iudgement [12] into gall,
and dealt moſt cruelly.

Vn[t]

VNto our ſelues, by our owne [13] ſtrength
(you ſay) we haue got might:
But I will raiſe a nation [14] ſtrong,
ſhall all your land affright.

7 AMos by praying [2] to the Lord,
preuents his [1] iudgements all;
With which he pleaded, [4] purpoſing
that they on them ſhould fall.

BY Graſhoppers [1] and furious fire
when he would them annoy;
I ſayd (ô Lord) forgiue their [2] ſinnes,
and doe not ſo deſtroy.

COntent he was then [6] for to heare,
a plumb-line [7] then I ſee,
By which he ſhew'd, that Iſrael
ſhould quite deſtroyed be.

DYe by the ſword Ieroboam [11] ſhall,
(thus Amos dare to ſay,)
And eke that Iſrael ſhall be led,
as captiues quite away.

EAte thou thy [12] bread in Iuda land,
(ô Amos) there goe preach:
At Bethel here, the Kings Chappell,
I charge [13] thee not to teach.

FLocks did I feed (ſaid Amos then)
no Prophet was at all,
From them to preach to [15] Iſrael,
Iehouah did me call.

GOd ſaith to thee, (who me [16] forbids
to preach againſt this place)
Thy wife an whore: thou [17] and all thine,
ſhall dye in great diſgrace:

8 HEre by a basket full of [1] fruit,
is ſhewed Iſraels end;

And for oppreſſion of the poore,
ſore iudgements God will ſend.
IN that day all the Temple ſongs
to howlings God ſhall change:
Dead bodies caſt out here and there,
to ſee ſhall be moſt ſtrange.
KNow this all ye that pinch [4] the poore,
and ſell your [6] refuſe wheat,
Making your Ephah [5] meaſure ſmall,
and eke your ſhekel great.
LOnging to haue the [5] ſabbaths gone,
that you may ſell your corne;
To plague you for this [7] wickedneſſe,
the Lord himſelfe hath ſworne.
MOurning and lamentation [10] then,
with woe and well-away,
Shall be as for an onely ſonne,
and th'end a bitter day.
NO bread nor water [11] ſhall they want,
this food I will afford:
But they ſhall wander [12] farre and neare,
and ſhall not heare my word.
OHow ſhall yong men [13] in that day,
and virgins faint for thirſt?
The ſwearers by [14] Samaria's ſinne,
marke how they here are curſt.
9 POſts of the doore, and lintels [1] ſmite,
and cut them all i'th head,
To ſhew that not a man [3] ſhall liue,
but all cut off and dead.
QVite ouerthrow [8] the land will I,
yet will not vtterly
Deſtroy the houſe of Iacob then,
but ſinners [10] all ſhall dye.

Raiſe

RAise vp the ruines then [11] will I,
and close the breaches all
Of Dauids house: they there shall [12] dwell
that on my name doe call.
SWeet wine shall all the mountaines drop,
the earth giue great increase:
Ile plant my people in their land,
and giue them lasting peace.

OBEDIAH.

1 A Rumor from the Lord is [1] heard,
the heathen say, arise,
Let vs goe warre [2] against Edom,
whom God doth much despise.
BEcause thy pride and [3] crueltie,
so greatly doth abound,
Although thour nest's [4] among the starres,
Ile bring thee to the ground.
CVt off for euer [10] shalt thou be,
because thou wast full glad
When Iacob (thine owne brother) [11] was
by strangers captiue led.
DIstressed in calamitie,
thou should'st not haue them [13] grieu'd

Nor cut off those that did 14 escape,
but rather them relieu'd.
EVen like as thou hast done 15 to him,
so shall it be with thee:
Good Iacob shall possesse their 17 Land,
and Esau spoyl'd shall be.

IONAH.

Chapt:. An. Mundi.

1 ARise thou Ionas? (saith the Lord)
and goe to Niniuee:
At Ioppa Ionas tooke a 3 ship,
and did to Tarshish flee.
BVt God sent out a mightie 4 storme,
wares were all cast i'th deepe:
The shipmen sore affrighted 5 pray'd,
Ionas fell fast asleepe.
CAll on thy God (O sleeper thou)
arise, what dost thou meane?
(The Master saide:) then cast they 7 lots,
that so it might be seene,
DIstinctly for whose cause it was,
they were so sore agasts.

The lot on Ionas then did light,
and he did bid them [13] cast
EVen him into the raging sea,
for this (quoth he) I know,
That for my sinne this storme is sent,
and mighty winds thus blow.
FEaring exceedingly they pray'd;
then did [15] as Ionah said;
Who being cast into the sea,
forthwith the storme was stay'd.
GReat fish did swallow [17] Ionah vp;
men feared [16] at these sights:
They vow, and pray, and Ionah lay
i'th fish three dayes and nights.

2 HIs God did Ionah pray vnto,
out [2] of the belly of fish;
The Lord then heard his wofull cry,
and granted him his wish.
IAm cast out of sight (said I)
yet [4] will I once againe
Toward thy holy temple looke,
the waters [5] flow amaine,
KEeping me in on euery side,
my head is wrapt in weeds,
Within me when my soule did [7] faint,
I call'd to mind thy deeds.
LYes and vanities who [8] obserue,
their mercy they forsake:
But I will [9] sacrifice to thee,
to thee my prayers make.
MY sauing health is from the Lord,
to him Ile pay my vowes;
The fish at Gods commandement [10] then
on dry land Ionah throwes.

3 Now

3 NOw Ionah is ſent the ſecond [1] time,
the Niniuites to call
For to repent in forty [4] dayes,
or looke for fatall fall.
OF this when King [5] and people heard,
they all did faſt and pray;
The King put off his Royll Robes,
in ſack-cloth went that day.
PRoclaiming that [7] no man nor beaſt,
all Niniuie within,
Should eate, or drinke, but [8] ſtrongly cry,
and turne from all their ſinne.
QVaking for feare, who knowes (ſay [9] they)
if God will pardon giue;
And turne from all his anger fierce,
and [5] grant that we may liue.
RE ſpecting much their [10] godly griefe,
and how they did amend:
God did repent him of the euill,
which once he did intend.
4 SEe here how Ionah doth [1] repine
at Gods exceeding grace:
I knew ſo much (quoth he) before
I came vnto this place.
TAke therefore now [3] my life away,
I would no longer liue:
What Ionah? doſt thou [4] well to frett,
and at my mercy grieue?
VNder a booth did Ionah [5] ſit,
th'effect of all to ſee;
The Lord prepar'd a ſhrowding gourd,
whereof [6] full glad was hee.
A Wotme this pleaſing [7] gourd did ſmite,
it withered quite away;

An east winde beat on Ionah's [8] head,
which made him faint, and say,
BEtter it were for me to die,
then draw in vitall breath
Doest well to fret thus for the gourd?
yea well vnto the death.
COmpassion hadst thou [10] on the gourd,
for which thou tookst no paine:
And would'st thou [11] haue in Niniueh,
sixtcore thousand persons slaine?

MICHA.

Chapt. *An. Mundi.*

1 ALL people dwelling on the earth,
attend and giue an eare.
And let Iehouah from aboue
against you witnesse beare.
BEhold hee comes, and will [3] tread downe
the earth with workes of wonder,
The mountaines then shall melt like wax,
and vallies cleaue [4] asunder.
CAuse of all this is Iacobs [5] sinne,
and sinnes of Israell,

Fast

For Salem and Samaria,
against me doe rebell.

DOwne will I bring [6] Samaria's pride,
their Images I'le burne;
Their Idols, which are harlots [7] hires,
to harlots hires shall turne.

EVen likes the Dragons, [8] and the Owles,
Ile waile and mourne for them:
A deadly wound to Iuda's [9] come,
and to Ierusalem.

FOR Aphrah [10] rowle thy selfe in dust;
thou [11] Lachish hast and flee,
For Zions sinne, and [12] Israels,
was first begun in thee.

GIfts shalt thou [14] giue to Moresheth;
yet will I bring an heire:
Enlarge thy baldnesse, [16] captiues are
thy children deare, and faire.

2 HOuses and fields they take [1] away,
and poore men sore oppresse:
They mischiefe muse vpon their [1] beds,
and practise wickednesse.

I Therefore haue deuis'd a plague,
from which they shall not flee:
A lamentation shall they make,
and say we spoyled be.

KNow that no man hereafter shall
by lot diuide your land:
The Prophets must not [7] propheſie;
the people so command.

LEt Iacobs house this [7] vnderstand,
Gods spirit is not restraind.
My word doth good to those that haue
from wickednesse refrain'd;

My

MY folke of late [8] are risen vp;
of poore haue made a prey:
The wiues are cast out of their [9] homes,
and children tane away.

NO rest therefore, [10] here shall you finde:
if thou false Prophet see,
Of strong drinke and of wine to [11] preach,
that Prophet is for thee.

O Iacob I will gather thee,
as sheepe [12] in fold to slay,
Thy gates are broke, thou and thy [13] king
thy foes shall driue away.

3 PRinces of Iacob heare (I [1] pray)
ye guides of Israel heare:
Who hate the [2] good and loue the bad
the poore in peeces teare.

QVietly should you not beare [3] rule,
and loue the holy ones:
But ye plucke off my peoples [3] skinnes,
and flesh from off their bones.

RObbing his thus, God will not heare
when [4] they shall call and cry;
But hide his face, because they dealt
with poore so cruelly:

SO will he deale with false Prophets,
which make the people erre,
Against the man that bribes them not,
who wickedly doe warre.

THerefore shall their bright sun goe [6] downe,
no vision shall they see;
Such Seers shall be sore [7] asham'd,
and shall not answered be.

VNt' Israel to declare their [8] sinne,
and Iacob his transgression,

The

The Lord hath giuen me [8] might and power,
and to reproue oppreſſion.
ALL Iſraels and Iacobs [9] heads,
to heare me now begin;
Who Zion build with [10] guiltleſſe blood,
and Salem with your ſinne.
BEcauſe your Iudges [11] judge for bribes,
and Prieſts doe preach for hire;
And yet will ſay, we [11] ſhall doe well,
God will grant our deſire.
COnfuſion therefore ſhall befall
to Zion [12] for your ſake;
It ſhall be plow'd: Ieruſalem
the Lord great heapes will make.
4 DIſpoſed, and eſtabliſhed
ſhall be in [1] latter dayes,
The mountaines and the houſe of God,
and folke ſhall flock thoſe waies.
EAch nation then ſhall ſay, let's goe
to th'[2] mountaine of the Lord:
From Zion ſhall the law goe forth,
from Salem goes his word.
FOR God will teach vs there his wayes,
and we will walke therein:
He ſhall among the nations [3] iudge,
and plague them for their ſinne.
GReat plentie and peace the Church ſhall haue,
and euery man ſhall ſit
Vnder his figtree, and his [4] vine;
Gods mouth hath ſpoken it.
HEr that halteth, and is [6] caſt off,
her that's afflicted ſore,
I will aſſemble: God ſhall [7] raigne
in Zion euermore.

Ie-

IEruſalem, the Lordſhip [8] ſhall,
and kingdome come to thee;
Thou ſhalt goe forth to [10] Babylon,
and there deliuered be.

KIngdomes againſt thee gathered [11] be
as ſheaues into the floore;
Ariſe, and threſh, their gaine He giue
vnto the God of power.

5 LOe here the [2] birth of Chriſt our Lord,
his [4] kingdome, [8] conqueſt eke;
How they ſhall ſmite this Iſraels iudge,
with rod vpon his cheeke.

MAke (Bethlem Ephrata) though [2] thou
of thouſands [3] be the leaſt:
Yet out of thee Meſſiah comes
whoſe Crowne ſhall be increaſt.

NOw in Iehouahs mightie [4] ſtrength,
he ſhall his people feed:
He ſhall bring [5] peace, defend from foes,
and [6] helpe his in their need.

OF Iacob they that ſhall [7] remaine,
ſhall be as dew on graſſe:
And as young lyon among [8] the Sheepe,
which ſpoyles where he doth paſſe.

PReuaile thou ſhalt [9] againſt thy foes,
who ſhall be foil'd and ſlaine:
Their Cities ſack't, no witchcraft ſhall
in [12] all thy courts remaine.

QVite will I cut thine Idols [13] off,
thou ſhalt adore no more
Thy handy works; in fury I
will plague [15] the heathen ſore.

6 READ here Iehouahs iuſt complaint,
and great controuerſie,

For

For ignorance, in gratitude,
and for Idolatry.

SHew me (my people) if thou canſt,
wherein I haue beene ſlacke?
I brought thee out of Egypt land,
what good thing didſt thou lacke?

THat ye may know my righteouſneſſe,
remember now full well,
What miſchiefe Baalak did deuiſe,
againſt whole Iſrael.

VNto the Lord what ſhall I giue
for ſauing of my ſoule?
Will offerings pleaſe? a thouſand rammes,
ten thouſand riuers of oyle?

AN vpright heart and [8] merciſull,
is that which God requires;
And that thou humbly walke with God,
performing his deſires.

BEhold the rod which God [9] appoints,
for them that get their treaſures
By bagges, and ballances of [10] falſe waights,
by ſcant and pinching meaſures.

CRuell and [12] violent in their deeds,
deceitfull in their words,
Are rich and poore, the Lord therefore,
will [13] ſmite them with the ſword.

DEſolate ſure I will thee [15] make,
away thou ſhalt be ſwept:
For Omri's lawes, and [16] Ahabs wayes,
of thee are duely kept.

7 EVen as the gleanings of the [1] grapes,
(thus doth the Church complaine)
Am I, (woe is my heart therefore)
no [2] vpright men remaine.

For

FOr blood they all doe lye in wayt,
each man doth hunt his brother:
The Prince, the Iudge, the mighty [3] men,
worke mischiefe one and other.

GIue trust to none, the best's too bad;
keepe counsaile from thy wife:
The childrens disobedience
to parents is most rife.

HOpe will I still in God my [7] Lord,
I know he will me heare:
For though I fall, yet shall I rise,
O foes I doe not feare.

IPatiently will beare his [9] rod,
vntill he plead my cause,
Because against him I haue sinn'd,
and broken all his lawes.

KNow and behold his [9] righteousnesse
I shall, my foes shall see
And be asham'd when [10] they behold
that God deliuereth me.

LEt all thy folke in Bashan [14] feed,
and Gilead as of old,
Right wondrous things, (as [15] in Egypt)
shall then be shew'd and told,

MOu'd and confounded at their [16] might
the nations then shall be:
They (serpent-like) shall licke the [17] dust,
and feare because of thee.

NO anger thou retainest long,
in mercy dost delight:
Thy peoples sinnes thou dost forgiue,
and casts them out of sight.

NAHVM.

Chapt. *An. Mundi.*

1 ATtend and marke (O [1] Niniueh)
thy burden, plagues and woes,
God is a God of dreadfull [2] wrath,
and furious to his foes.

BEhold he is full slow to [3] wrath,
and of compassion great:
His way is in the whirlwinds fierce:
clouds are dust of his feet.

CArmel doth languish at his [4] looke:
the rocks he downe doth thrust:
But he is good and kind to those,
in him that put their trust.

DArknesse shall still pursue [8] his foes:
thy bands [13] yet shall be burst:
Thine images I will cut off,
Thy graue [14] Ile make i'th dust.

ESteeme the feet of him that brings,
and tydings tels of peace;
(O Iudah) keepe thy [15] feasts and vowes,
thy raging foes shall cease.

2 For-

2 FOrtifie thou ô Niniuie,
for [1] armies full of might
Iehouah now prepared [2] hath
against thee for to fight.
GReat preparation here is made,
marke [4] chariots how they run;
Like flaming torches in the streets,
Marke [8] Niniuie quite vndone.
HVzzab the Queene shall captiue be,
maids [7] beating on their breasts;
Take ye the [9] spoyle of siluer, gold,
they empty all her chests.
IN all their loynes much [10] paine is felt,
there's blacknesse in their faces.
I am against you saith the Lord,
Ile driue you from [12] your places.
3 KIlling Niniuie, full [3] of blood,
thy wofull plagues now heare:
The souldier shakes his brandish'd sword
and eke his glistering speare.
LAdy of whoredomes and [4] witchcrafts,
men stumble at thy [3] slaine;
Because of all thy filthy sinnes,
which doe in thee remaine.
MIserable I will thee make,
and blaze [5] abroad thy name;
I will procure that nations [6] shall,
and Kingdomes know thy shame.
NIniueh now is [7] laid full low,
(thus shall the people say)
No-was as populous as she,
and [10] yet was driuen away.
OKing thy shepheards are [13] asleepe,
thy nobles dwell i'th dust:

Thy

Thy men disperst vpon [18]the hils,
in whom thou put thy trust.
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doe compasse still and throng;
Therefore the law dissolued is,
their iudgements all are wrong.
BEhold the burden [1] of the Lord,
which Habakkuk did see:
For spoyling, and for violence,
and great iniquitie.
COmplaining of these [2] grieuous sinnes,
how long (Lord) shall I call,
And yet thou wilt not heare me[3] cry,
nor saue vs out of thrall.

Dread-

DReadfull things, and incredible
will I worke [5]in your dayes;
Caldeans (fierce, and [6]furious foes)
I will against you raiſe.
EVen as the Eagles flie to [8]ear,
ſo they ſhall come from farre:
Their horſes ſwift as leopards;
(more fierce then wolues) for warre.
FOR violence they all ſhall [9]come,
and captiues take as ſand;
They ſhall at Kings and [10]Princes ſcoffe,
and quite deſtroy the land.
GRacious and moſt holy [12]God,
that liues eternally;
Thou for correction haſt them ſent:
thy people ſhall not dye.
HOld'ſt thou thy tongue at [15]wickedneſſe?
or can thy pure eyes [2]ſee
When ſinfull men deuour the iuſt,
more righteous far, then he?
[N]nets, and drags of [15]yron they catch.
and carry all away:
To them with ioy [16]they ſacrifice;
(Lord) ſhall they [17]alwaies ſtay.
KEepe well my watch [1]will I and ſee
what God vnto mee ſaith;
He bade me write, and waite a while:
the iuſt [4]ſhall liue by faith.
LOfty lifters vp of [4]themſelues,
on earthly things that reſt:
Their ſoules within them are not right;
but are with care oppreſt.
MArke here the iudgements of the [5]Lord
vpon Caldeans all,

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so they shall come from farre:
Their horses swift as leopards;
(more fierce then wolues) for warre.
FOR violence they all shall [9] come,
and captiues take as sand;
They shall at Kings and [10] Princes scoffe,
and quite destroy the land.
GRacious and most holy [12] God,
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Thou for correction hast them sent:
thy people shall not dye.
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or can thy pure eyes [3] see
When sinfull men deuour the iust,
more righteous far, then he?
IN nets, and drags of [15] yron they catch,
and carry all away:
To them with ioy [16] they sacrifice;
(Lord) shall they [17] alwaies slay.
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what God vnto mee saith;
He bade me write, and waite a while:
the iust [4] shall liue by faith.
LOfty lifters vp of [4] themselues,
on earthly things that rest:
Their soules within them are not right;
but are with care oppresst.
MArke here the iudgements of the [5] Lord
vpon Caldeans all,

Which

Which for their greedie auarice,
must lure vpon them fall.

NAtions many hast thou [8] spoyl'd,
the rest shall thee destroy:
The bloody spoyling of the land,
their soules shall sore annoy.

OVt of the wals of that mans house,
shall stones and timber cry,
Which he hath built with sinfull gaine,
to set his nest on hie.

PRoud builders of a towne with blood,
they are of God abhor'd:
That people toyle and work i'th fire,
all this is from the Lord.

QVake for thy woes (who euer [17] thou be)
that giues thy neighbour drink,
That thou maist see his [16] nakednesse;
hereat God will not wink.

REproach and shame shall thee befall:
for violence of the land,
The violence of thy [27] furious foes,
to spoyle thee is at hand.

SIluer and guilded [18] Images,
that teach nothing but lyes:
Woe to the [19] worshippers thereof;
Iehouah they despise.

3 THy voyce (Iehouah) when I heard
I trembled at the same:
Reuiue thy worke [2] in midst of yeares,
O Lord make knowne the same.

VTterly (Lord) forget not thine,
haue mercy in thy mind:
His glorie couer'd heauen [3] and earth,
his [4] brightnesse clearly shin'd.

A Peſtilence before him [3] went:
the mountaines [4] ſcattered be:
The ſunne ſtood ſtill at thy [11] command,
and ſeas [8] diuided be.

BEholding thee, the mountaines [10] quak't
thou enemies [12] doeſt ſmite;
Who to deuour the needy poore
in ſecret doth delight.

COmming vp with his mightie troupes,
to ſpoile vs all at once:
I quak't for feare, and [16] rottenneſſe
did enter in my bones.

DEſtroy'd though fruits and [17] flocks ſhall be;
though euery thing decay:
Yet in the [18] Lord will I reioyce,
he is my ſtrength and ſtay.

ZEPHANIAH.

Chapt. *Ann. Mundi.*

I ALL men [2] and beaſts, all fiſh and fowle,
I will take quite away:
Ieruſalem and Iudah [4] both
with plagues I meane to pay.

BAals remnants all, I will cut off,
and [4] reliques, from this place:
Falſe worſhippers, and [6] backſliders:
Ile vtterly diſgrace.
CHemarims names, [4] with all falſe Prieſts,
and them that ſweare by God,
And alſo by their Idols ſweare,
ſhall not eſcape my rod.
DIligently who ſought not God,
their plagues he will increaſe:
Gods day of vengeance [7] is at hand;
Let all men hold their peace.
EVery one both King and [8] Prince,
and who ſtrange veſtures weare:
Who get their gaine by [9] force and fraud,
ſore puniſhments ſhall beare.
FRom fiſh-gate is an houling [10] heard
great craſhing from the hils:
Your Merchants bearing ſiluer [11] ſtore,
the ſouldier ſpoyles and ſpils.
GOD will doe neither good nor ill;
(who ſay thus in their heart)
And who are ſetled in their lees,
full ſore I make them ſmart.
HOuſes a deſolation;
a [13] bootie goods ſhall be:
The ſtranger ſhall drinke vp your wine,
your land poſſeſſe ſhall he.
IWill bring great diſtreſſe [17] on men
in that darke [15] gloomy day:
Their fleſh as dung, their blood as duſt,
Ile powre vpon the way.
KNow that thy ſiluer and thy [18] gold
in no ſtead ſhall thee ſtand;

A ſpeedie riddance will he make
of all that dwell i'th land.

2 LEſt yee be plagu'd, returne [3] to God,
repent yee people all,
Seeke ye the Lord [5] ye meeke on earth,
before his anger fall.

MAny a mightie nation
is [4] made a deſolation:
The Cherethims, [5] the Philiſtims,
for their abomination.

NEttles in Ammon ſhall [8] increaſe,
and Moab people vile
As Sodom ſalt-pits ſhall be made,
for they my folke reuile.

OF theſe, and more (for [10] cruell pride)
the Lord will hauock make:
And euery one ſhall [11] worſhip him,
and for their God him take.

PRoud [15] Niniueh and Aſſyria
Ile make a [13] wildernesſe:
In it the fowles ſhall ly them [14] downe,
and Owles ſhall make their neſts.

3 QVite quench't is true [3] religion;
in Salem ſinnes abound:
Oppreſſion, [5] diſobedience
in euery ſort is found.

ROaring Lyons and rauening [5] wolues
Princes and Iudges were;
Her Prieſts and [4] Prophets all pollute,
to God thy [3] drew not neere.

SHameleſſe are all the [5] wicked ſort,
though God doth neuer faile
To bring his iudgements ſtill to light,
yet can he not preuaile.

THE other nations when I [6] plagu'd,
and made their towers to fall:
I thought thereby they would mee feare;
but they corrupted all.
VNtill I rise vp to the [8] prey,
and all the earth deuour;
Waite ye on me and I will [9] turne
to you a language pure.
ALL then shall call vpon my name,
and serue with one consent:
My suppl'ants, dispersed ones,
to offer [10] shall be bent.
BEhold a remnant will I [12] leaue,
a people poore and meeke
Shall trust in mee, shall holy be,
whose [13] tongues no lyes shall speake.
CAst out are all thy [15] enemies,
(ô Zion) sing therefore;
The Lord is in the [14] midst of thee;
thou shalt be [15] plagu'd no more.
DIstressed ones that were [18] reproach't,
I will together call:
And those that did you sore [19] afflict,
shall haue as sore a fall.
EVery land that you disgrac'd,
shall blaze abroad your fame:
Ile free you from [20] captiuitie,
and get you a noble name.

HAGGAI

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Chapt. *An. Mundi.*

ALL yee that say, it is not time
Gods house to [3]build as yet;
[4]time for you (this lying waste)
in houses siel'd to sit?
BEhold and ponder in your hearts,
much seed is sowne i'th field,
[5]and little reap't, meate, [6]drinke, and cloath,
full small contentment yeeld.
COnsider well the cause hereof,
why you these iudgements taste,
[7]erie man respects his owne,
and lets Gods house ly waste.
DEawes from the heauen, fruits from the earth,
I did withhold and stay:
[8]th wine, and oyle, cattell and [11] corne,
I tooke them all away.
[9]Arn'd wages with great paine procur'd
In bagges with holes were put:

I blew vpon their goods brought [9] home,
and in their houſes ſhut.

FOR this the Rulers, [12] people, Prieſts
did feare before the Lord,
And in Gods houſe moſt [14] cheerfully
did worke with one accord.

2 GLorious is this Temple [3] built,
yet muſt you needs [9] confeſſe
That in reſpect of former houſe,
the glorie [3] of this is leſſe.

HOwbeit Prince, people, and [4] Prieſts,
feare nothing, but be ſtrong,
For I am with you (ſaith the Lord)
Ile ſee you take no wrong.

IOnce againe the heauens, the [6] earth,
the land and ſeas will ſhake:
More glorious ſhall this laſt houſe [9] be;
Siluer and gold I [8] make.

KNow of the Prieſts, if man [11] vncleane
doe touch bread, wine, or oyle,
Shall they be cleane: the Prieſts [13] replpy;
they are polluted all.

LIke ſuch a man, this people is
before me, (ſaith the Lord)
Their workes are all vncleane and [14] naught;
their offerings all abhord.

MArke that your ſinnes [15] haue hindred much
this worke you haue in hand;
And made me plague [16] you ſore, yet you
would nothing [17] vnderſtand.

NOw marke the time ſince you [18] began
this houſe of mine to build:
The fields and trees [19] abundant ſtore
of all increaſe doe yeeld,

O Thou Zerubbabel (faith [21] God)
all Heathen [22] Kings Ile kill:
Thee as my signet I [23] will make,
and dearely loue thee still.

ZECHARIAH.

Chapt. *An. Mundi.*

1 AS your forefathers did, doe [4] not;
they harkned not at all,
Nor did repent and turne to me,
when Prophets did them call.
BVT tell me where your fathers [6] are?
the plagues my seruants told,
Did they not of your fathers all
accordingly take hold?
CONfesse they did as [6] much themselues,
and then return'd to me:
A man on red horse riding [8] then
in visi[on] did I see.
DEclaring that the earth sate still,
and was at quiet rest;
The Angel prai'd that [12] at the last,
Ierusalem might be blest.

EXceeding comforts then I [15]heard;
that God thus intend
To Zion and [16]Ieruſalem,
proſperitie to ſend.

FOure hornes I after did behold,
the [18]Angell did me tell
That they were Iudah's [19]enemies,
and ſcattered Iſrael.

GOds inſtruments, four [20]Carpenters
I ſaw to breake the horne
Of thoſe that ſcattered Iſrael,
and did his people ſcorne.

2 HEre is declar'd by [1]meaſuring
Iehouah's [*]care of all;
Salem ſhall be inhabited,
as [4]townes without a wall.

I (Saith the Lord) will be a [5]wall
of fire, it round about;
Ho, you that dwell in Babylon
ſet free your ſelues; come out.

KNow he that toucheth you [8]doth touch
the apple of his eye;
Ile ſpoyle your [9]foes; in midſt of thee
O Zion dwell will I.

LEt Zion ſing [10]for nations
my people deare [11]ſhall be;
And I will Salem [12]chooſe againe,
let all fleſh ſilent be.

3 MArke here the high Prieſt [1]Ioſuah
before the Angel ſtands:
Sathan to bee his oppoſite
attends at his right hand.

NOw God that choſe [2]Ieruſalem,
(ô Sathan) thee reprooue;

As

As brand out of the fire [2] that's pluck't;
so he is through my loue.

OTake away his garments foule,
(thus then the Angell said)
With change of raiment Ile him cloath,
set [3] miter on his head.

PLace among theſe that ſtand here by,
I ſure will giue to thee,
If thou wilt walke in all my [7] wayes,
and watchman be to me.

QVite contemn'd [8] of all the world
and monſters are ye thought,
Thou and thy fellowes (Ioſhua)
the [8] BRANCH ſhall forth be brought.

REgard the STONE that [9] I haue laid,
I their tranſgreſſions all
Will then remoue: from [10] vnder vines
men ſhall their neighbours call.

4 SEE here a golden [2] candleſticke,
bowle, lampes, and pipes moſt fit;
Two Oliue trees [3] were by the bowle
vpon the ſide of it.

THE Lord workes not by [6] armies ſtrong,
but by his ſpirit of might;
O Mountaine I will make [7] thee plaine,
thou ſhalt not hinder it.

VNto this building men [7] ſhall wiſh
all good; Zerubbabel,
As he did well begin [9] the worke,
ſo ſhall he end it well.

5 A Flying rowle here [2] doe I ſee,
with curſes [3] fully fraught,
Which ſhall the theeues and [4] ſwearers houſe
conſume and bring to naught.

BEhold a woman in the midſt
of Ephah here doth ſit;
The which is wickedneſſe, a weight
of lead is caſt on it.
CArried is this Ephah then
from thence to Shinar land:
An houſe to build and on her owne
foundation there to ſtand.
6 DOwne from betweene [1] two hils of braſſe
I ſaw foure chariots come
With horſes ſome [2] red, black, and white,
and griſled [3] colour ſome.
EVery one [5] throughout the earth
doe wander to and fro:
They are the ſpirits of the Heauens,
commanded [7] to doe ſo.
FOrthwith the Angel ſpake [8] to me,
and thus aloud he cry'd,
Loe theſe that goe toward the North
my ſpirit hath pacifi'd.
GOe make thee Gold and ſiluer [11] crownes,
and ſet on Ioſuah's head,
Tell him the man whoſe name is [12] BRANCH,
ſhall perfect all the deed.
HE ſhall the holy [13] temple build,
and rule vpon his throne;
And he ſhall be a Prieſt alſo,
our King and Prieſt alone.
IN building of the [15] temple they
that dwell far off agree:
Thus ſhall it be, if to the Lord
you will obedient be.
7 KEepe faſts or no, what they [2] ſhould doe,
they ſend to know and ſee:

In

In all your faſts [5] you made (ſaith God)
ye faſted not to me.
LOe ſhould you not haue [7] yeelded to
my words ſpoke early and late?
By former Prophets? when your [7] land
was in a rich eſtate.
MErcy and compaſſion [9] ſhew
vnto your needie brother;
And execute true iudgement all,
oppreſſe not one an other.
NO widdowes, ſtrangers, [10] fatherleſſe,
ſee that you harme or hurt:
Againſt thy brother thinke no ill,
ſo much as in thy heart.
OF all theſe things they [11] had no care,
they made [12] their harts as ſtones:
And therefore from the Lord of hoaſts,
came wrath on all at once:
PRaying to me I [13] would not heare,
they would not heare me call:
Among ſtrange [14] nations for their ſinne,
a whirlewind ſcattered all.
8 QVietly in [4] Ieruſalem,
and Zion I will dwell:
It ſhall a citie of truth be call'd,
Gods mountaine ſhall excell.
REſtored ſo ſhall [4] Salem be,
that men that are full old
Shall dwell therein, boyes in the [5] ſtreets
thou playing ſhalt behold.
SAy it be maru'llous in [6] mens eye,
ſhould it be ſo with mee?
Ile bring them home from countrie ſtrange,
my [7] people ſhall they be.

Then

THen let your hands [8] be strong, all ye
that here these words this day;
Great blessings both from [10] heauen and earth
you shall receiue I say.
VNto your neighbours speake [16] the truth,
let peace bee in your gates;
Thinke ye no hurt; loue no [17] false oath,
for all these thing God hates.
ALL solemne fasts, to chearefull feasts,
In Iudah God shall change;
Loue peace and truth therefore: [19] to you
shall come a people strange.
BEfore the Lord let vs [21] goe pray;
these nations then shall say,
They shall reioyce with [23] Iewes to ioyne
in seruing God that day.

9. CAst out shall all the Gentiles bee;
his Church defend will he:
Reioyce O Salem, and Zion,
thy King [1] doth come to thee.
DOminion shall thy iust King haue
from [10] sea to th' vtmost lands;
He by his blood hath [11] quite set free
thy prisoners out of bands.
EVen double will I giue [12] to thee.
when I haue giuen [13] thee power
To conquer all thine [14] enemies
and them with might [15] deuour.
FIlled shall they be with all good things,
for his he will [16] them take:
Young men and maides with corne and [17] wine
he shall full chearfull make.

10 GOD giues his people grasse i'th field,
he giues them showers of raine;

Aske

Aske it of him, all Idols hate,
they [2] are both vile and vaine.
HOuſes of Iudah, and [3] Iſr'ell,
in loue I will regard:
But cruell goates (their Gouernours)
ſhall haue their due reward.
IVda his houſe, as [3] goodly horſe
of his in warre he makes:
From out of him the [4] corner naile,
and battell bow he takes.
KNeck downe their enemies in the [5] mire,
they ſhall with deadly wound;
Iehouah fighteth on their ſide,
they ſhall their foes confound.
LOrd, euen their Lord and God [6] am I,
and I will heare their voyce;
Ile bring them to their place [7] againe,
their hearts ſhall all reioyce.
ME in farre countries ſhall [8] they mind,
and I will bleſſe them [10] all;
Th' Aſſyrian, and th' Egyptian pride,
and ſcepters [11] downe ſhall fall.
II NAked O Lebanon [1] ſhalt thou be
of all thy Cedars ſtout,
The fire the [2] Firre trees eke ſhall burne:
the might' are rooted out.
OF howling ſhepheards [3] voyce is heard,
their glorious [4] ſtate is ſpoyl'd
Of Lyons Roaring, for the pride,
and Iordan's [5] ſame is foyl'd.
POſſeſſors ſlaughter [6] all the flocks
that they of right ſhould feed;
And ſay, the Lord be bleſt, for I
am [7] rich by this my deed.

Quire

QVite pitileſſe I ſure [4] will be
to th' dwellers in the land;
Ile them deliuer to the Kings
and alſo neighbours hand.
REfuſing for to reſcue [5] them
from cruell ſmiters deeds:
The poore diſtreſſed ſlaughtered flocks,
I will both watch and feed.
STaues two of beautie and bands I broke,
their shepheards [8] off I cut:
The wages I was [13] valued at
I to the potter put.
THe foolish shepheard will [15] not feed
the tender lambes ſo deare:
Nor heale their hurts, but eate [16] their fleſh,
and clawes in ſunder teares.
VPon his arme [17] and his right eye,
the ſword of God ſhall bee;
O Idoll ſhepheard God will take
wiſedome and ſtrength from thee.

12 A Cup of trembling [2] will I make
Ieruſalem to all:
A heauy ſtone to [3] cruſh and cut
her foes in peeces ſmall.
BEhold with madneſſe horſe and man,
in [4] thoſe dayes will I ſmite:
In Salems ſtrength (the Lord of Hoſts)
ſhall [5] rulers then delight.
COales of hot fire [6] among the wood,
and like a torch Ile make
Ieruſalem, to make their foes
in euery place to [6] quake.
DEfended ſhall the [8] dwellers be
in thoſe dayes you ſhall ſee,

Like

Like Dauid euen the feebleſt,
and Dauids [8] houſe to be.
EVen as the Angell [10] of the Lord,
there ſhall the people mourne,
To looke on him whom they haue pierc'd,
as one for his firſt borne.
FOr good Ioſiah as [11] they mourn'd,
in bitterneſſe of heart;
Each familie ſhall then [12] lament,
the man and wife apart.
13 GRaciouſly in Dauids houſe
a [1] fountaine then ſhall run,
To waſh away the wickednеſſe,
which they haue thought or done.
HE alſo will cut off the [2] names,
of Idols from the land:
Falſe Prophets (here foule ſpirits call'd)
his force ſhall vnderſtand.
IF any in the name [3] of God
ſhall preach lyes in that day,
Aſhamed ſhall they [4] be thereof,
their [5] parents ſhall them ſlay.
KNowne by their garments made of haire,
worne to deceiue and lye,
They ſhall not be, but then ſhall ſay,
I am not Prophet, I.
LEarning to play the husbandman,
and keeping beaſts i'th field:
Man hath me taught and trained vp,
ſince firſt I was a child.
MY ſhepheard that's my fellow ſmite,
ô ſword ariſe, awake,
The ſheepe ſhall then be ſcattered,
the ſmall ones I will take.

None

NOne in the land shall scape with life,
but third part of the same
I sure will try as gold i'th fire,
they shall call on my name.
OF them thus clensed I will say
it is my people deare:
And they shall say the Lord's my God
whom I will loue and feare.

14 PLagu'd be by nations [2] Salem shall,
women shall be defil'd,
Halfe of the townes shall captiues goe,
their [3] houses shall be spoil'd.
QVickly then [3] will the Lord goe forth,
and with these nations warre;
The Mount of Oliues [4] shall be cleft,
and Salem seene [5] from [10] farre,
ROyally then the Lord shall [9] reigne,
o'er all the earth alone;
And there shall be one God, one faith,
one [9] true Religion.
SOre plagues Iehouah then will send,
vpon those people all,
That fought against Ierusalem;
they by consumption fall
THe rest of all the nations [16] then,
shall goe vp yeare by yeare,
To keepe the feast of tabernacles,
and worship truely there.
VNto Ierusalem to goe,
who will not take the paine,
To worship there; vpon their land
and them shall fall no raine.
ANd if that Egypt goe not [18] vp;
(who haue no raine at all)

The

The plagues that light on other [19] lands
on Egypt land ſhall fall.
BOth bells and bridles of the horſe,
yea pots ſhall holy be:
A Canaanite in Gods owne houſe,
no more then ſhalt thou ſee.

MALACHI.

Chap. *An. Mundi.*

1 A Tender loue I haue [2] you borne,
and yet ye aske wherein?
Louing good Iacob, I did [3] hate
his brother for his ſinne.
BVild vp againe will we the [4] walls,
and places once laid waſt;
(Thus Edom ſaith) God them aſſures
hee'le pull them downe as faſt:
COncerning me, if I your [6] Lord
and louing Father be,
Where is the feare and honour which
you ought to yeeld to me?

Deſpiſer

DEſpiſers of my holy [6] name,
(ô Prieſts) demanding how
Mine Altar, Table ye [7] pollute,
yea worſe and worſe ye grow.
EVery blind thing, lame and ſick,
for [8] ſacrifice ye bring:
Would hee be pleaſ'd with it or thee
ſo dealing with thy King.
FOrgiueneſſe craue, beſeech the [9] Lord,
that he would gracious be;
This you haue done will God regard,
or like ſuch men as yee?
GOD asketh who would ſhut the [10] doores,
or kindle fire for naught:
I like you not, nor will accept
the offerings which are brought.
HEathen Gentiles, both Eaſt and Weſt,
my glorious name ſhall praiſe:
Pure offerings ſhall be giuen to me,
and incenſe in [11] thoſe dayes.
IT hath beene much prophan'd by [12] you,
my table eke defil'd:
You wearie were, and ſnuft at me,
ſhould I be reconcil'd?
KNow hee's accurſt, that [14] hath a male,
and brings a ſickly thing:
My name is dreadfull (ſaith the Lord)
I am a mightie King.

2 LAy to your hearts this law [2] of mine;
giue glorie to my name
O Prieſts, elſe Ile your bleſſings curſe,
yea I haue curſt the ſame.
MY couʼnant made with [5] Leui old,
was of long life and peace:

Hee

He fear'd my name; he kept [6] my Law,
and did my flocke increase.
NO fraud was found within his lips,
Priests lips should knowledge keepe;
And at his mouth (Gods messenger)
all men the law should seeke.
OVt of the way [8] all yee are gone;
ye haue corrupted all
Both law and Leuies couenant;
many ye make to fall.
PArtiall in the Law [9] yee were,
and haue not kept my waies:
I made you be despis'd therefore,
and vile [8] in all your dayes.
QVestionlesse, one God vs [10] made,
one father haue we all;
Why breake we fathers cou'nant then,
and with our brethren braule.
REbelliously they haue prophan'd
the [11] holinesse of Lord,
And match t with Daughters of [11] strange gods,
which God himselfe abhord.
SErnant and master He cut off
that doth this wicked thing:
And also him that in my house
doth any offring bring.
THE cause of this you still demand;
the reason's plaine and rife:
The Lord himselfe hath witnessed
between thee and thy wife.
VNchastly hast thou dealt and done
to thy companion deare;
With whom thou mad'st a couenant,
her still to loue and cheare.

At

AT firſt did God not make them one,
of old he ſo decreed:
Although he had of ſpirit ſtore,
he ſought an holy ſeed.

BE ſober therefore in your minds,
but ye doe murmur ſtill,
In ſaying, that man pleaſeth God,
that doth tranſgreſſe his will.

3 COme to his Temple ſpeedily
Meſſiah ſhall, I ſay,
My meſſenger firſt will I ſend,
for to prepare his way.

DAy of his comming who can bide,
for he ſhall purge with fire
The Leuites, that they may bring gifts
ſuch as God doth require.

EVen as of old, the offerings then
of Iuda ſhall content,
On ſorcerers and Adulterers,
his iudgments ſhall be ſpent.

FAlſe ſwearers alſo he will [5] plague,
and all that doe oppoſe
The ſtrangers, widowes, labourers,
friendleſſe [9] and fatherleſſe.

GOne quite away from my [7] decrees
ye are, yet rob no more;
Ye aske wherein, I ſay by tithes
you ſtill encreaſe your ſtore.

HAue any people rob'd [8] their Gods?
ye are curſed euery one:
For ye haue rob'd and ſpoyled [9] me,
euen this whole nation.

INto the ſtorehouſe [10] bring the tithes,
that there, there may be meat,

And

And therewith proue me, ſaith the Lord
how [10] I will you intreat,
KIndly, yea and exceedingly,
I then on you will poure,
My bleſſings, and I will rebuke
what did [11] your fruits deuoure.
LOſty lewd words yet haue [13] you ſpoke,
you aske what we did ſay?
That it is vaine [14] to ſerue the Lord,
no gaine is got that way,
MAlicious, proud and wicked men,
we count them bleſt to be;
They are aduanc'd that tempt the Lord,
and are [15] from dangers free.
NOw they that truly feared [16] God,
did to their neighbours ſpeake;
The Lord did heare, a booke was writt
for thoſe that did him ſeeke.
OThen they ſhall my [17] deare ſonnes be,
I will their ſinnes forgiue,
Then ye ſhall iudge betweene the bad:
and them that purely liue.
4 PRoud perſons, and all wicked [1] men,
ſhall in a furnace burne;
As ſtubble in [2] that fiery day,
they ſhall be quite forlorne.
QVietneſſe, peace and health ſhall be
to you [2] that feare my name,
As duſt the wicked [3] vnder foot,
ye ſhall tread downe with ſhame.
REmember Moſes Law, which I
in Horeb [4] did him giue,
The ſtatutes and the iudgements all
wherein they are to liue.

Sent'

SEnt shall Eliah be to ſ you,
before that dreadfull day:
He fathers harts and ſonnes shall turne,
that ſo my curſe may ſtay.

The end of the Prophets.

A TRVE CHRISTIANS DAILY DELIGHT:

Being
The Summe of euery Chapter of the new Teſtament, ſet downe Alphabetically, in Engliſh Verſe, that the Scriptures we reade *may be remembred, and the* things forgotten more eaſily recalled.

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THE NEVV TESTAMENT.

MATTHEVV.

Chapt. An. Mundi.

A Pedigree of [1] IESVS CHRIST, by th'holy Ghost [18] conceiu'd: Virgin [18] borne, who (though vnto Christ of [19] Ioseph is reuciu'd.

BY starre [2] the Wisemen guided are, to Christ, whom they [11] adore,

They offer gifts; King Herod [16] frets;
and Ioseph flies [14] therefore.

CHildren by [16] Herod murthered are;
and then obserue his [20] death:
Ioseph is sore [21] afraid, yet comes
with Christ to [23] Nazareth.

3 DOwne comes [16] the holy Ghost on Christ,
whom God [17] from heauen doth grace:
Iohn [3] cries, [7] reproues, [13] baptizeth Christ,
himselfe he [14] doth debase.

4 ENuious [1] tempter [2] thrice [10] repell'd;
to Christ the [11] Angells come:
He [17] preacheth: calls [18] Apostles foure:
and heales [23] both all and some.

5 FOr blessed [3] men Christ these [4] esteemes:
the city [14] set on hill:
The [15] Candle; [13] Salt; light of the [14] world:
Christ did [17] the law fulfill.

GIue eare and learne what [21] murther is;
adultery [27] & what [33] to sweare:
Beare iniuries [38]; loue [43] enemies:
be like thy father [48] deare.

6 HEre Christ of [1] prayer, of [16] fasting, [1] alms
and [14] forgiuenesse doth speake:
Of [19] treasure; [24] mammon: bids that we
first [25] heauen, then [33] earth should seeke.

7 IVdge [1] not; nor cast [6] pure things to dogs;
pray [7]: striue [13] at any hand
To enter: heare, and doe [21] the word;
build not [26] vpon the sand.

8 KNow the [5] Centurions seruant's heal'd,
the Leper [3] clens'd and tride:
Peters wiues mother's [14] also cur'd;
and many sicke [16] beside.

Let

LEarne how Christ [18] must be [19] followed;
the sea made calme [23] and fine:
Two men of Deuills [28] are dispossest,
they goe [31] into the swine.

9 MAtthew [9] is from the Custome call'd;
the palsie [2] man amended:
Disciples for not [14] fasting are
by Christ himselfe defended.
NOw Iairus daughter is reuiu'd;
with sinners [10] he doth eate:
Dumbe [33] Fiend cast out, the [27] blind haue sight,
he hath [36] compassion great.

10 OVt are the [1] twelue Apostles sent
with wonder-working [5] might;
Are [5] charged what to doe, and [6] shun;
haue [8] precepts iust and right.
PErswading to perfist in [16] truth,
he saith he will deny
All, that for feare of man [33] shall flinch,
and from his Gospell fly.

11 QVickly Iohn Baptist sends to [2] Christ,
a Prophet, yea, and [9] more,
He calls him; and three Cities doth
vpbraid and check [20] full sore.
REuealing to the poore these things,
Christ yeelds his [25] Father praise,
And calls to him all burd'ned [28] soules
that mourne for sinfull wayes.

12 SAbbath-breakers [2] th'Apostles deem'd,
Christ doth [3] their foes confute
By [3] Scripture, [9] reason, [13] miracle,
restores [22] the blinde and mute.
THE sinne vnpardonable [31] marke;
th'account of idle words:

The ſeekers of a ſigne [38] are check't;
his kindred [49] Chriſt records.

13 View here the Parable of [3] ſeed,
Chriſt doth the [18] ſame expound:
Of [33] leauen, [34] tares, of [31] muſtard-ſeed;
of treaſure [44] hid in ground.
A Parable o'th [45] Pearle, and Net,
that gath'red [47] good and bad,
And how Chriſt [53] of his Country-men
no grace nor [57] honour had.

14 BEheaded [3] good Iohn Baptiſt [10] is;
of Chriſt what [1] Herod thought.
In Deſert he fiue thouſand [20] feeds
with loaues [17] and fiſh then brought.
CHriſt walkes to his vpon the [22] Sea,
and in Geneſar [31] land
He heales the ſicke by [36] garments hemme,
which was but toucht with hand.

15 DEſpis'd are Gods [3] Commandements
by mens traditions vaine:
Foure thouſand men and [32] moe he feeds
with loaues and fiſh againe.
EVil [11] thoughts defile, and not mans [17] food;
he heales the womans daughter,
And [30] multitudes of ſicke and lame,
which then did follow after.

16 FOr ſigne the Sadduces doe [1] call,
their leau'n Chriſt [6] bids beware:
Th'opinion [13] people had of Chriſt;
Peters [16] confeſſion rare.
GOe to [21] Ieruſalem Chriſt will,
there death muſt ſuffer ſure:
Peter [22] diſſwades; is Satan [23] call'd;
his muſt their croſſe [24] endure.

17 He

17 HEre Iesus is [1] transfigured,
the lunaticke [14] made welle
He payeth [24] tribute, and himselfe
his owne [22] death doth foretell.

18 INfant-like [1] be ye harmlesse, [2] meeke,
offend not one [7] another:
Learne in all scandalls how to [15] deale
with euery Christian brother.
KIng calls his seruants [23] to account:
by this thou well mayst know
How oft to pardon, how he 's [32] plagu'd,
that will no mercy show.

19 LOe he restoreth [2] multitudes,
to Pharises [3] replies:
Shewes [10] who and [11] when men marry may:
he babes doth [15] blesse likewise.
MArke [16] yong man, rich, how [23] hardly [24] sau'd;
how such may [26] perfect be:
Who ought forsakes to follow [27] Christ
eternall blisse shall see.

20 NOw are the Lab'rers call'd, and [1] set
in Vineyard to take paine:
God is a debtor [15] vnto none;
Christs death [17] foretold againe.
OF Mothers suite for her [20] two Sonnes,
whom Christ doth [22] answer right:
And thereby [26] teacheth lowlinesse;
he giues two [30] blind their sight.

21 PVtting their cloathes [7] vpon the Colt,
to Salem [12] so rides he:
Out of the Temple [12] Chapmen whips;
doth curse the [17] fruitlesse tree.
QVite put to silence [23] are the Priests;
and sharpe [28] reproofes are spent

Vpon them all, because they [35] slew
his seruants which he sent.

22 REgard the Kings sonnes [1] mariage;
let Cæsar haue [15] his owne:
Who wanted wedding garment [12] is
int' vtter darknesse throwne.
SAdduces here [23] confuted are;
the Gentiles call'd [9] to'th feast:
The Lawyer [34] answer'd: some are pos'd,
about [41] our Sauiour Christ.

23 THeir doctrine [1] follow, not their liues;
beware of their [5] ambition:
Eight woes against [13] hypocrisie;
Hierusalems [38] perdition.

24 VNto's Disciples Christ foretells
the Temples [2] ouerthrow:
What troubles [3] shall befall before,
he doth most plainly show:
ANd signes [29] before he comes to iudge;
(the day and time [36] not sure)
As faithfull seruants we must [42] watch
his comming euery houre.

25 BRidegroome is [1] met, ten Virgins [2] make;
he Talents [14] doth [19] require:
The [31] iudgment day; the sheepe [34] are blest,
the [41] Goats [46] cast in hell fire.

26 CHiefe Priests [3] conspire; Mary [7] anoints,
the Supper Christ [26] ordaines:
Sits [20] downe with twelue; by Iudas [14] sold,
thrice prayes [36] with grieuous paines,
DEnyde is he [69] by Peter thrice,
and is [47] betraid by kisse:
An eare [51] cut off: accus'd and [61] scoff'd [68];
to Ca'phas carried [57] is.

27 Elders

27 ELders [1] conſpire: to Pilate [2] bring;
his wife [19] puts him in minde:
He waſh't his [24] hands: Iudas [3] is hang'd;
Chriſt doth no [25] fauour find.
FAlſe murth'rer choos'd; Ieſus [26] refus'd,
is crown'd [29], and nayl'd toth' [34] croſſe,
Reuil'd [40], dyes [50], is buried:
graue ſeal'd, they [66] watch his coarſe.
28 GReat [7] earth-quak ſeen, an Angel [5] ſhewes
Chriſt [6] riſen from the graue.
To Mary Chriſt himſelfe [9] appeares:
large bribes [12] the ſouldiers haue.
HEre Chriſt [16] appeareth to th'eleuen,
who them t'all [19] nations ſends:
He bids them teach [20] all his commands,
His preſence them defends.

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Chapt. *An. Mundi.*

1 ATtend Iohns [1] Office; Christ [9] baptiz'd,
is tempted [12] forty dayes:
He [14] preacheth, calls [16] Apostles foure,
him th'vncleane fiend [23] obeyes.

BY him are [32] many persons cur'd,
and Peters [29] moth'r in law:
A Leper likewise [42] clensed is:
the Priest him [44] cleansed saw.

2 CHrist Matthew [14] cals; and heales [11] the sick
who [3] was by foure men borne:
He eates [15] with sinners; his defends
for plucking [15] eares of Corne.

3 DOwne [11] fal the fiends, whom he [12] rebuk'd,
he heales the [1] withered [3] hand:
And [19] many moe: then chooseth [13] twelue
to preach in euery Land.

ETernall plagues for [29] them that said
one Fiend casts out [22] another;
Who doe his will, by him are [35] call'd,
his mother and his brother.

4 FOwles eat [4] some seed; the [14] meaning's told;
communicate [21] thy skill:
Some seed [26] growes well, the [30] mustard seed,
seas tempest Christ [39] doth still.

5 GReat Legions of [1] Deuills [8] cast out;
of Swine a deuilliſh [15] slaughter:
He heales the womans bloody flux,
and raiſeth Iairus [35] daughter.

6 HAted is Christ [3] euen of his owne;
he [34] feeds with [38] loaues and fiſh:
He giues them power [7] ouer Deuills:
Iohns head [28] brought in a diſh.

IVdgments [14] are diuers of our Christ;
th'Apoſtles [30] come againe:
Christ [45] walkes on sea; who touch his [53] hem,
are heal'd [56] of all their paine.

7 KEpt are mens precepts [8] more then Gods;
they [3] waſh before they eate:
A Deuill's [26] cast out; deafe doth [35] heare,
no man's [15] defil'd with meat.

8 LEauen [14] beware, with [1] loaues he feeds;
a ſigne they doe [10] require:
They ſay [27] he's Christ; exhorts [34] to th' croſſe,
giues blind man [22] his deſire.

9 MArke Ieſus is [2] transfigured;
Elias comne and [11] ſlaine:
His death he doth foretell; caſts out
a deafe [14] dumbe Deuill [50] againe.

NOw he [33] exhorts to [35] lowlineſſe;
they muſt not forbid [38] thoſe
That giue no [35] ſcandall [43] to the iuſt,
nor Chriſtian [45] truth oppoſe.

10 OF [2] diuorcement; the babes are [13] bleſt,
the [23] rich are ſau'd full hard,

But not with [27] God; who loseth [29] ought
for Christ, [30] shall haue reward.

PRoud suters seeke [37] preheminence,
and are [38] reprou'd therefore:
They're taught to [43] beare: his death's [45] foretold,
the blind he doth [46] restore.

11 QVite dead is [2] curſed fruitleſſe tree;
on Aſſe doth Iesus [7] ride:
Doth [15] purge the Temple, bids all his
in [22] ſtedfaſt faith abide.

REceiue ye ſhall, if ye [24] beleeue,
forgiue [25] your foes; then pray:
By Iohns witneſſe, (not ſent [27] from men)
they know [33] not what to ſay.

12 STout Iewes caſt off, the Gentiles call'd,
this [1] parable doth ſhow:
Concerning [13] tribute, Chriſt doth here
Herodian [13] ſnares o'rethrow.

THe Sadduces [18] conuinced are,
the Scribes [35] confuted quite:
He bids beware [38] hypocriſie,
praiſeth the widowes [41] mite.

13 VNknown to all when Chriſt ſhal [32] come
he bids vs [33] watch and pray:
That vnprouided none [35] be found
at his [36] owne dying day.

A Stone ſhall not be [2] vnthrowne downe;
the Goſpell [10] preacht to all:
Profeſſors beaten [9]: Iewes [14] are plagu'd,
how Chriſt our [24] Iudge ſhall call.

14 BY craft they ſeeke [1] our Sauiours death,
who is [10] for money ſold:
Mary [3] anoints: this treaſon is
by [12] Chriſt to his foretold.

Chriſt

CHrist [23] keeps his Supper, shews their [26] flight
is with a [43] kisse betraid:
Accus'd, [53] condemn'd, and sore [65] abus'd,
by Peter [66] thrice denaid.

15 Deliuer'd to be crucifi'd [3]
Barabbas [15] is set free:
He faints in bearing [21] of his crosse:
mock'd [29], crown'd with [17] thornes is he.
EVen hang'd with theeues, reproacht of [29] Iewes
Centurion doth confesse:
Ioseph doth beg and [43] bury him,
and so his loue expresse.

16 FRighted full sore [5], the Angells doe
declare [6] to women three,
That Christ is risen from [6] the dead;
the place he bids them see.
GOing to Emmaus Christ [12] appeares
to two, to [9] Magdalen,
To the [14] Apostles sent to [15] preach;
and so ascends [19] to heauen.

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Chapt. *An. Mundi.*

1 A Preface of Lukes Goſpell [1] here,
of [26] Chriſts, and Iohns [74] conception:
Maries, Eliza's [59] Propheſie:
Iohns birth and [57] circumciſion.
B Leſt be the God [68] of Iſrael
(thus Zachary doth ſing)
Both of [76] Iohn Baptiſt, and of Chriſt,
who doth ſaluation bring.

2 C Hriſt here is [6] borne; the world is [1] taxt;
Chriſts birth to ſhepheards knowne
By Angels: for this bleſſing great,
great [13] praiſe abroad is blowne.
D Ayes eight once [21] paſt he's circumciſed,
his mother [27] purifide:
Of Simeon [28], and of Anna old,
Chriſt [38] here is propheſide.
E Xceedingly he growes [42] in grace:
at Salem ſtayes [45] behinde:
Diſputes [46] admir'd [48], with parents goes;
is [51] dutifull and kinde.

3 Frum

3 FRuits of [3] repentance called for,
in prison [20] shut is he:
Here Christ [21] baptiz'd, is grac'd from heauen:
his [23] age and pedigree.

4 GRacious words [16] admired are;
tempted [2] doth [13] ouercome;
Beginnes to [14] preach, casts out a [33] Deuill:
and healeth [40] all that come.

5 HEE preacheth [3] out of Peters ship;
he makes them [10] fish for men:
A leper [14] clens'd; in desert [16] prayes:
the palsie [18] cured then.
IN [29] Leuies house with sinners eates;
afflictions are [34] foretold:
To bottles are the weake compar'd:
and vnto [36] garments old.

6 KNow Pharises confuted all,
about [2] the Sabbath breach:
By [3] Scripture, [5] reason, [6] miracle,
he chooseth [13] twelue to teach.
LEarne who are [23] blest [24] and [19] curst of Christ
diseases healed all:
Loue ye [27] your foes: heare [46] and obey,
lest like an house [49] ye fall.

7 MOre faith in the [9] Centurion found;
his absent seruant [10] heal'd:
From death is rais'd the [11] widowes sonne;
his thought of [24] Iohn reueal'd.
NOw answer'd are Iohns [19] messengers:
the Iewes no meanes [30] can win,
A friend he [47] is to sinners all,
that will [50] forsake their sinne.

8 OF women [3] ministring to Christ;
the [4] Parable of Seed,

And

And of the [16] Candle: Christ declares
who are his [21] friends indeed.
PVffing and stormy [2] winds rebuk't:
the woman sicke made [43] sound:
The dead [49] reuiu'd: the [37] Gadarens:
the swine by [26] deuils drown'd.

9 QVickly sends Christ [1] th' Apostles forth:
him Herod faine [7] would see:
Fiue thouland [14] fed: aske what men [18] thinke,
his [22] death foretelleth [24] he.
REbuk't are they that sought [55] reuenge:
men must [23] themselues deny:
He heales a man of [37] Lunacy:
commends [46] humilitie:
SEE patterne of [33] his patience mild:
transfigur'd where [28] he prayes:
His [43] death foretold: some follow would,
but [57] yet they make delayes.

10 THe seuenty are sent out to preach:
three cities [13] curs'd be:
Wherein to [20] ioy, for graces [21] giuen
his Father thanketh he.
VNto the Lawyer's precepts [25] giuen
whom he should loue in heart:
Martha reprou'd, but Mary [41] prais'd,
she chose the better part.

11 AS Iohn [1] taught his, so teach thou vs:
all good things God [11] will giue:
Dumb fiend [14] cast out; blasphemers [18] check't:
they blest that [28] godly liue.
BVt signe of [29] Ionas none shall be:
he often woe [42] doth cry
To [53] Lawyers. Scribes [49] and Pharises,
for [47] grosse hypocrisie.

82 Christ

12 CHrist bids them [1] hate hypocrisie:
of fearing men [4] he warnes:
Of [15] auarice, by that rich [16] man
that builded bigger barnes.

DEsire not [22] wealth: Gods [31] kingdome seeke:
watch still in [36] euery place:
Giue [33] almes; attend [36]; looke for the [49] crosse;
& take [54] this time of grace.

13 ENter in at the narrow [24] gate;
repent [3], or you must [5] perish;
The tree cut [9] downe, the crooked [11] heal'd;
growth where the [18] Lord doth cherish.

FOwles build their [9] nests; the [21] leauen'd meale;
he Herod fox [32] doth call
O Salem thou my [34] Prophets ston'd,
behold thy wofull [35] fall.

14 GOe sit [10] below; the dropsie [2] heal'd;
the proud [11] God will abase:
Feast thou the [12] poore; all worldly men
in heauen [15] can haue no place.

HIS children must account before
what Christian [26] life will cost,
Least they reuolt, [34] and be like salt
that hath its sauour [35] lost.

15 IN heauen (when [10] sinners turne to God)
exceeding ioyes abound:
This taught by [4] sheepe, [8] siluer, [11] sonne,
once lost but after [32] found.

16 KNow th' vniust [1] Stewards dealings
the Pharises [14] reprou'd: (prais'd;
Rich [19] Glutton [23] damn'd, the poore mans soule
conuei'd to heauen [22] and lou'd.

17 LEpers here [11] ten are clens'd by Christs
one must [3] forgiue another:

The

The power [6] of faith, they're curst by Christ
that scandalize their brother.
Men bound [7] to God, Christs day [22] desir'd,
as in the time [26] of Noe
So shall it be, some shall be [34] safe,
and some shall tast of [36] woe.

18 Note widowes [3] importunitie,
two in the [9] temple pray;
A Ruler would haue followed [18] Christ,
but riches did [23] him stay.
Of [31] children that were brought [15] to Christ,
of death doth [31] mention make:
The blind [35] restor'd, they heau'n shall [29] haue
that suffer for [30] his sake.

19 Pilling Zacheus [1] turn'd to Christ,
ten pieces [13] giuen to ten:
With triumph Christ [28] to Salem rides,
and [41] weepeth o're it then.
Vite out o'th Temple [45] Sellers driuen,
hee dayly taught [47] them there:
The Rulers sought to take his life,
but [48] they the people feare.

20 Rhearse from whence Iohns [4] baptisme (was,
let Cæsar haue his owne;
The Parable of Vineyard [9] marke,
Christ Dauids sonne [41] is knowne.
Sadduces are convinc'd by Christ,
they say [27] none rise from graue:
Beware of [46] Scribes which make great shewes,
but great [47] damnation haue.

21 The widowes mite [3] commended is,
the signes before [25] last day;
The ruine [5] of the temple told:
he bids them watch [34] alway.

22 VIle [2] Iewes conſpire; Iudas [6] betrayes;
the Lambe prepared [7] is:
Chriſt ſits at [14] ſupper with the twelue,
and is betraid with [47] kiſſe.
ASſur'd is [33] Peter of his faith;
yet thrice he [34] ſhall deny:
Chriſt dehorts [24] from ambition proud;
in mount praies [44] earneſtly.
BAthed he was in bloody [44] ſweat,
and Malchus [51] eare doth heale:
Abus'd, that hee's the Sonne [66] of God,
he doth himſelfe reueale.
23 CHriſt before [1] Pilate is accus'd;
he [7] him to Herod ſends,
Who [8] mocks him; Barrabbas [18] deſir'd;
Herod and [12] Pilate friends.
DEſtruction of Ieruſalem
he [27] tells vnto them all:
Prayes for [34] his foes; two theeues [39] with him;
his [46] death and [50] buriall.
24 EArly, euen in the dawning, came
the women with [1] great feare
Vnto the graue; two Angels [4] tell
them that hee was not [6] there.
FEarfull, they this to others tell,
then Chriſt [13] himſelfe makes knowne
To two walking to [15] Emaus,
and he reproues [31] his owne.
GIuing a [47] charge, he promiſeth
the holy Ghoſt [49] to ſend:
At Bethany he bleſſeth [50] them,
and did to heau'n [51] aſcend.

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Chapt. *An. Mundi.*

1 AT first the Word with [1] God, was God;
he giueth [5] light to all:
Iohn [15] beares record: the Word made flesh;
doth [40] Peter, [41] Andrew call.

2 BEhold the [1] water's turn'd to wine;
the [14] buyers beaten out:
His death [19] foretold: many [23] beleeue;
he of their [24] faith doth doubt.

3 CHrist saith man must be [3] borne againe;
that he himselfe [14] must dye:
His loue [16] to th' world; who want true [18] faith,
condemn'd in hell shall lye.

4 DIsciples [27] maruell at his talke;
to them he shewes [31] his zeale:
Many men doe [39] beleeue on him;
the Rulers sonne [46] doth heale.

5 EXceeding many [3] people poore
at poole Bethesda lay:
The Iewes repine for healing one
long [10] sicke, on Sabbath day.

For

FOr this he [56] answers, and [17] reproues;
sayes maruell not at [28] this:
And shewes by [26] Fathers witnesse, and
by [59] Scriptures, who he is.

6 GReat multitudes are fed by [1] him:
they then would [15] make him King:
But he [35] departs, walkes on the [19] sea,
reproues [26] carnall hearing.

HEre Christ is call'd the [31] bread of life;
many doe him [66] forsake:
Peter confesseth Christ [68], but he
for Deu'll doth [70] Iudas take.

7 IEsus reproues ambition base;
he in the Temple [14] taught:
Mens diuers [40] thoughts. Pharises chase
becaute he was not [45] brought.

8 KNow, she was taken in the [4] act,
but Christ doth [11] set her free;
He saith he is the worlds great light,
and proues it true [14] to be.

LEwd Scribes doe brag of Abrahams [33] seed,
and say they're free each one:
But Christ [34] denyes; himselfe conueyes
from [59] them that would him stone.

9 MAn blind from's [1] birth is cur'd by Christ,
to th'Rulers [8] brought is he:
They cast [13] him out; Christ him [35] receiues,
the blind [39] enlightned be.

10 NO strangers voice will [5] Christs sheepe (heare,
he is the [1] shepheard true,
Who doth escape their [39] bloody hands,
strange [19] thoughts among [21] the crew.

ON him a number did beleeue,
where [42] he a while abode;

He proues (by wondrous [24] works he wrought,)
that he's the Sonne of God.

11 PRiests gather [47] councell against Christ,
who Laz'rus rais'd from death:
But many [45] Iewes beleeue on him,
Caiphas [47] propheſieth.

QVarrelling ſtill they ſought his [53] life;
but Chriſt himſelfe doth [54] hide:
At Paſſeouer [55] they ſeeking him,
lay wait on euery [56] ſide.

12 RIding vnto [12] Ieruſalem,
the Greeks faine [26] would him ſee;
The people flocke to [9] Lazarus;
Priests would he ſlaine [16] ſhould be.

SOme chiefe Rulers in Chriſt beleeue,
but [42] dare not him confeſſe:
The moſt are [37] blind, Marie's [7] excus'd;
faith by [44] good works expreſſe.

13 THE feet of the [5] Diſciples waſh'd:
againe when [12] Chriſt was ſet,
He bade by his [15] example learne,
to loue doe not [31] forget.

VNto th'Apoſtles by a [18] ſigne
he ſhewes moſt perfectly,
That it was Iudas ſhould betray,
Peter [38] ſhall thrice deny.

14 A Place he goes for [9] to prepare,
he's truth, the life, the [6] way:
He loue requires, and that they [15] ſhould
his ſtatutes ſtill obey.

BEhold your prayers in my [10] name,
effectuall ſhall ye finde:
A Comforter I will [16] you ſend,
and leaue my [27] peace behinde.

15 Comfort

15 COmforts and [1] loue reciprocall
'twixt Church and [2] Christ her head:
Is by the [3] Parable of [4] Vine
full plainly [5] figured.
DOubtlesse they will deale so with [10] you,
as they haue dealt with mee:
The Office [26] of the holy Ghost;
and of [27] th' Apostles see.

16 EXceeding [1] comforts giu'n to them
that suffer [2] for his sake:
By his ascension, and promise,
which he [3] to them doth make.
FEare not, what you my father [23] aske
is well accepted sure:
In me is peace, but in the [33] world
you must the Crosse endure.

17 GLorifie me (ô Father [1] deare)
and these [6] Apostles keepe:
O glorifie in heau'n both these,
and all thy [10] pasture sheepe.

18 HEre Iudas Iesus doth [1] betray:
Officers fall to th' [4] ground;
And Peter smites off [10] Malchus eare:
Christ led to Ca'phas [12] bound.
IEsus by Priests [19] examined,
Peter doth him deny:
Before Pilate he is [28] arraign'd;
Iewes for Barabbas cry.

19 KIng [2] of the Iewes is scourg'd & crown'd:
Pilate [4] would him release:
Yet giues him [16] to be crucifi'd,
their rage [15] did so increase.
LOts for his [23] garment they doe cast:
mother to Iohn commends:

He [28] being dead his [31] side is peirc'd:
hee's buried by [38] two friends.

20 MAry comes to the [1] sepulchre;
so Peter [3], Iohn likewise:
Yet both were ignorant as yet
that [9] Christ againe should rise.

21 NOw Christ appeares [14] againe to his:
much fish drawne from the [16] deepe:
He dines [12] with them: bids Peter thrice
to feed his [17] lambs and sheepe.

O Peters death he doth [18] foretell:
his curiousnesse [21] rebukes:
If all were writ, I thinke the [25] world
would scarce containe the Bookes.

The Acts.

Chapt. *An. Mundi.*

1 ASsembled at mount [4] Oliuet;
they see Christ [9] there ascend:
Vntill the * holy Ghost be [4] giuen 4000.
they must at Salem tend.

BY power whereof they [8] witnesse must;
two Angels [11] bid depart;

And

And of his [1] second [2] comming, so
they bid them [3] see their [4] heart.

[5] Cōming all [6] to Ierusalem,
they daily [7] [8] prayers make:
Matthias in the [9] mayors [10] roome
by [11] lot they [12] choose [13] and take.

2 [1] Deuided [2] are [3] th' Apostles twelue
of some, and some [4] admire [5].
To heare them [6] speake what they had learn'd
from clouen [7] tongues of fire [8].

[1] Learned [2] Peter [3] doth defend,
proues Christ [4] [5] rais'd from the dead:
Known to him [6] [7] workes, not crucifi'd,
but as God [8] had decreed.

[1] Faithfull [2] people [3] baptised are,
they liue in [4] loue and peace:
Th Apostles [5] [6] worke great miracles,
God doth his [7] Church encrease.

3 God and his Son through faith [1] doth heale
the Cripple that was lame,
Not Peter, who (for [2] killing Christ)
the Iewes doth greatly blame.

He bids them by [1] repentance seeke
remission of [2] their sinne:
Because they did they [3] wist [4] not what,
a pardon they might winne.

4 Iewish Rulers full sore are [1] griev'd
at Sermon Peter made:
By them (though thousands doe [2] beleeue)
they are in prison laid.

Kindred of high Priest now doe [1] meet
and Rulers greatly blame
Th [2] Apostles, who [3] [4] doe bend still
saluation by Christs [5] name.

LOe then they charge Peter and Iohn
that [13] they should preach no more:
Church [23] prayes, God heares, & them [31] confirmes
with gifts and graces store.

5 MArke sacrilege, hypocrisie,
in these [1] too dearly bought:
Faith is [14] encreast by wonders great
th' Apostles daily [12] wrought.

NOw they impriſon'd are againe,
an Angell sets them [19] free,
And bids them [20] preach: they [21] twice are [22] sau'd
but yet they [40] beaten be.

6 OF preaching [2] chiefly they haue care,
but to sustaine [3] the poore
Seuen [4] Deacons (whereof [5] Stephen is one)
they presently procure.

PErnicious foes this pious [8] Stephen
doe take and much abuse:
Of blasphemy against the [13] law,
they falsly him accuse.

7 QVest'ning whom about these [1] things,
they suffer him to speake:
He saith, God choose their [2] forefathers,
and that they did him seeke

REligiously before the birth
of [20] Moses, and before
In tabernacle [46] or Temple,
they did the Lord adore.

SO Moses [37] witnessed of Christ:
that legall rites were made
According to the patterne [44] seene,
which afterwards must fade.

THeir [51] murthering Christ he then reproues
(foretold in Prophets [52] daies)

They [15] stone him: he commends his soule
to [19] God, and for them prayes.

8 VNto his death [1] Saul doth consent,
of Church did [3] hauocke make:
By Phillip at Samaria
the [5] Church did planting take.
AMong the rest the Sorcerer
(who was [7] a great man thought)
Was there [13] baptiz'd: and gifts of God
with [18] money would haue bought.
BVt Peter sharply him reproues,
exhorts him to [22] repent:
Then he with Iohn preaching the [25] word,
from thence to Salem went.
CAnst [30] vnderstand these things thou read'st?
no, [31] not without a guide:
Beleeuing Eunuch is [38] baptiz'd
by Phillip that same tide.

9 DOwne Saul is [4] strucke: Apostle [19] call'd,
baptiz'd by [18] Anani:
He [20] preacheth Christ: the Iewes lay wait
to [23] kill him cruelly.
EVen so the Greekes: but he escapes,
the Churches then [31] haue rest:
Æneas [34] heal'd: Tabith [36] reuiu'd,
Christs power thereby [5] expreſt.

10 FOr Peter here [7] Cornelius sends:
by vision [11] Peter's taught:
That faithfull Gentiles (fearing [35] God)
must not be set at naught:
GOd to mens persons [34] doth not looke,
to all he preacheth [36] here:
On them the holy Ghost [44] doth fall,
and they baptized [48] were.

11 HEre Peter makes [4] Apologie
to them that did him [2] blame
For going to Cornelius,
and they accept [18] the same.
IN places where the [19] word was spred,
here Barnabas [21] is sent
Them to confirme: at Antioch,
a whole yeares [26] space was spent.

12 KIng Herod [1] persecuteth sore:
th'Apostle [2] Iames doth kill:
Peter he doth in Prison [3] cast, 4010.
the Iewes minds to fulfill.
LOrds Angell him [7] deliuereth,
when Church for him [5] did pray:
Proud Herod made a glorious [21] speech,
cloath'd in his rich aray.
MArke how Gods Angel strikes [23] for pride:
he wofully doth [23] dye;
After his death the word of [24] God
doth flourish prosp'rously.

13 NOw to the Gentiles [3] these two goe:
one faine would [7] heare of Christ:
But Elimas the Sorcerer
did [8] deuillishly resist.
OF Christ at Ant'och Paul [14] doth preach,
the Iewes [45] oppose and grieue:
They turne [46] to th'Gentiles: all that were
ordain'd [48] to life beleeue.

14 PAul's driuen [6] from Iconium;
at Listra [8] Creeple heal'd:
They thereupon would worship them,
as [11] Gods of later deal'd.
QVarrelling Iewes [19] th'Apostles stone,
they Elders doe [23] ordaine

In euery Church, confirming [22] them
to Ant'och [23] turne againe.

15 RAis'd are diſſentions [1] great in Church,
as touching Circumciſion:
Th'Apoſtles by their letters [23] ſent
to them their full deciſion.

SHarpe ſtriſe and great contention [39] is
betweene th'Apoſtle Paul
And Barnabas, about Iohn Marke:
they viſit [41] Churches all.

16 THe Spirit forbids the [6] Apoſtle here
to Aſia for to goe:
The Macedonian [10] craues his aide:
Lydia [14] beleeues alſo.

VIle ſpirit [18] caſt out; they both are whipt,
and into [19] priſon caſt:
The doores [26] are open; Iaylor [31] turn'd,
and they ſet free [37] at laſt.

17 AT Theſſalonica [1] Paul preach'd,
and to Berea [10] goes.
Where ſome [4] beleeue, ſome perſecute,
the Iewes are [13] deadly foes.

BVt being perſecuted there,
he [15] was to Athens brought:
Conuerteth many: th'vnknowne God
he preached there and taught.

18 COmming to Corinth, there he [3] works:
God bids him not refraine:
Before Gallio hee's [12] accus'd:
but is diſmiſt [14] againe.

DEparting thence, he [18] ſtrengtheneth
Diſciples here and there:
Apollos taught [24] by [2] quila;
doth preach with [28] powerfull care.

19 EXorciſts beaten by the [14] Deuill,
ſome will not [9] heare, nor turne,
The Iewes blaſpheme [9] his doctrine pure,
the coniuring [15] bookes they burne.
FOr filthy gaine, by [24] ſiluer Smith
an vproare great was rais'd:
Great is Dian' (aloud they cry) 4020.
by Towne Clarke it's appeas'd.

20 GOing to [1] Macedonia he
preacheth, [7] and breaketh bread:
Eutichus ſleeping [10] rais'd againe,
that fell from [9] window dead.
HEre are the Elders call'd, and [28] charg'd
the flocke of God to feed:
Commends [31] to God, of falſe [19] teachers
he bids them take good heed.

21 IN Philips houſe we [8] did abide,
whoſe [9] daughters prophecie:
Paul feares [1] no bands: at [13] Salem he,
for Chriſt's content to dye.
KNow Paul in [27] danger of his life;
the Aſian [27] Iewes cry [21] out:
Hee's [21] reſcu'd by the chiefe Captaine,
and ſpeakes to all the [40] rout.

22 LArge declaration [1] he doth make;
how he was [17] turn'd and call'd:
When he the Gentiles [22] mentioned,
the Iewes exclaim'd and brawl'd.
MArke how they would haue [22] ſcourged him,
but that he then did claime
The freedome of a Romane [25] borne,
and ſo eſcapes the ſame. (bids

23 NOw Paul doth [1] plead, the high Prieſt
them [2] ſmite him on the mouth:

His

His furious 7 foes diuided are,
God bids him 11 stand for truth.

OF bloody purpose 13 Paul to kill
the Captaine 14 vnderstands:
And vnto Felix sends him 17 then:
so Paul escapes their hands.

24 PAul by Tertullus is accus'd
of 3 doctrine, and his life:
He answereth 10, and preacheth 24 Christ
to Felix and his wife.

QVite frustrate is the Governor
of hoped-for reward:
Out of his office then he goes;
and leaueth Paul in ward.

25 RAyling Rabbies 3 doe Paul accuse:
himselfe he 8 doth defend:
Appealeth to 11 Cæsar: Festus thought
to Cæsar 21 him to send.

SEE now how Festus 24 to the King
the matter openeth:
And cleares him to haue 25 nothing done
that worthy was of death.

26 THe life hee led he shewes 3 to th' King,
what 4 calling elle he had:
Then Festus (fully 24 charging) saith,
much learning made him mad.

VNto his charge he 24 answereth,
Agrippa almost wonne
To be a 28 Christian: all men say,
nought was by him 31 ill done.

27 A Dangerous voyage Paul foretells,
they would not vnderstand:
With tempest 14 tost, they shipwracke 41 are;
yet 22 all come 34 safe to 44 land.

28 BArbarians kindly them receive,
a [s] Viper on Paule's hande
He heales diseases, then departe
to Rome [t] from that lande

COming to Rome, unto the [u] Jewes
the cause he doth declare
Some were [x] perswaded, some were not,
two [y] yeares he preached there.

To the ROMANS.

Chapt. *An. Mundi.*

1 ALl grace and peace to christ
whom Paule doth sue to have
His Gospell is the [z] power of God
by which men [a] shall be save.

BY sinne Gods wrath proceedeth,
though [b] Gentiles lost must lead,
Yet were [c] they, vaine, & diminishing sinnes
of God and [d] monstrous.

2 CHide not in things ye whole your life in,
Gods [e] judgements ye [f] escape
sith you his lavers abuse,

Damna-

DAmnation due [8] to sinners all;
the [17] Iewes shall not preuaile,
For all their circumcision,
if [26] in the law they faile.

3 EVery way are the Iewes prefer'd,
they haue [3] not lost their grace:
Both they and we haue [10] sinned all,
and are in [19] wofull [20] case.

FOr by the law [20] no flesh is iust:
but all are [21] iust by faith:
And yet the law is not made [31] voyde,
euen so this scripture saith.

4 GOD did count Abram iust by faith,
before the [10] seed receiu'd:
By faith, he and his seed [13] obtain'd
the promise to be sau'd.

HE Father is of [16] faithfull all;
by faith he doth vs take
As heires of life, and counts [24] vs iust,
for Christ our Sauiours [25] sake.

5 IN him by faith we [1] iustified,
peace with the Father haue:
We ioy in [2] hope, he lou'd vs [3] foes;
now friends he [10] sure will saue.

KNow that as Adams [12] sinne did bring
man into [17] wofull case:
So Christ much more by [18] righteousnesse
did farre exceed in grace.

6 LIue not in sinne, y' are dead thereto,
(as Baptisme [3] makes it plaine)
Obey not lust, nor suffer [12] sinne
in mortall bodies raigne.

MAde free from sin, your [13] members yeeld
to serue the Lord aboue:

Who ſinne, muſt for their wages [23] looke
eternall death to proue.

7 NO longer then a man doth liue,
the law hath power or might:
But we by Chriſt are dead [4] to th' law,
(euen each beleeuing wight.)

O Say not then the [7] law is ſinne,
it's holy, [12] good, and iuſt:
But by the law I knew not ſinne,
it ſaid, Thou ſhalt not luſt.

PAſſing great [13] ſins it doth reueale,
and makes me [14] full of blame:
And grieu'd [16] I am, becauſe that I
cannot [25] performe the ſame.

8 QVite freed from' condemnation
are true beleeuers all,
Who loath their luſts (procuring [13] death)
and are ſpirituall.

REgard the bleſſings [17] of Gods childe,
all long to ſee [19] him freed:
Nothing can ſeuer him [38] from God;
his glory of old [29] decreed.

9 SOry I am for th'Iſraelites;
God did not promiſe all
The ſeed of Abraham for to ſaue;
but [7] Iacob he did call.

THe Lord ſhewes loue [18] to whom he will,
as Potter [21] with his clay,
So dealeth he; it was [29] foretold,
Iewes ſhould be [28] caſt away;

VNder the law they [31] needs would liue,
they ſought not life by grace;
But ſtumbled at that ſtumbling [33] ſtone;
and Chriſt would not embrace.

10 ALL iuſt by [3] faith, not by the law,
Chriſt hath [4] perform'd the ſame:
All that by faith take hold [11] on him,
ſhall neuer come to ſhame.

BY Preachers [14] ſent, this faith is wrought
in Iewes and Gentiles all:
This Iſrael knew, for [19] all day long,
the Lord on [21] them did call.

11 CAſt off they are [1] not all from God,
though ſome [8] he did diſdaine:
Some are [7] elected, and there's hope
they ſhall b'ingraft [23] againe.

DEſpiſe them not, [18] nor boaſt thy ſelfe,
a Sauiour [26] God did raiſe:
His iudgements are [33] paſt finding out:
all laud [36] to him alwaies.

12 EVen all Gods children muſt be mou'd
by mercies God [1] to pleaſe.
None of himſelfe [3] muſt thinke too well,
attend thy place [6] with peace.

FEruent in ſpirit let vs [11] ſerue God;
peace, patience [12], loue [9] withall
God doth require: reuenge [19] forbids,
thy foes feed when [20] they call.

13 GIue Magiſtrates their duties due,
for conſcience [1] them obey:
The man that [10] loues, fulfills the law,
owe nought [8] but loue I ſay.

HIgh time it is now to awake [11];
time of ſaluation's neare:
Caſt off your [12] ſinnes, and put on [14] Chriſt,
all fleſhly luſts forbeare.

14 IN things [1] indifferent none condemne,
let no offence [13] appeare

In them; for that is prou'd a sinne,
by many reasons cleare.

15 KNow how the [10] strong must beare with
our selues we [12] may not pleare:
Christ [3] did not so, his [7] loue to [8] all
did wondrously [9] encrease.

LEt vs our [11] brethren [20] so receiue,
S Paul excuse [21] doth make:
He [28] will come see them, and [29] desires
their prayers for his sake.

16 MY helpers in [3] Christ Iesus greet:
of such men take [17] good heed
As cause [17] diuisions in the [17] Church;
and great offences breed.

NOte and [18] abhorre them, they are [18] such,
as seeke their belly, ease:
The [18] simple hearts they doe [18] deceiue,
and them with faire words please.

ON your behalfe I doe [19] reioyce,
the truth you doe obey:
Satan shall [20] shortly be trod downe:
so God be [27] praise for aye.

1 CORINTHIANS

Chapt. *An. Mundi.*

1 AFter his [1] salutations he
exhorts to [2] vnity:
Reproues their [3] discords, worldly wise,
he here doth [19] vilifie.

BY preaching ([21] counted foolishnesse)
he [27] doth beleeuers [28] saue:
Not many mighty [26] Noblemen,
such grace and fauour haue.

2 CHrist [2] crucified to you I preache,
without [4] inticing words:
Yet [4] with such [5] power as far [6] doth passe
the sense [9] that man [14] affords.

3 DIuisions argue fleshly [3] minds,
with milke I did you [3] feed:
The planter (except God doth blesse)
is nought at all indeed.

EVery man must looke what he [15] builds,
Christ the [11] foundation sure;
Worlds wisedome [19] folly, Gods [16] Temple
we must keepe [17] chast and pure.

4 Faithfull

4 FAithfull [2] must all Christs Stewards be,
all things are from the Lord:
Then glory not, th'Apostles [9] are
of worldly men [13] abhorr'd.

GOds Kingdome's [10] not in word, but power,
Paul is their [14] father deare:
Him must they [16] follow, he will come
with loue or [11] rod to feare.

5 HEe's cause of [6] shame, and not of ioy,
that incest did commit;
Purge [7] leauen out, with scandalous
doe neither [12] eate, nor [10] sit.

6 IN law suites before [6] Infidells,
vexe not your brethren deare;
Th'vnrighteous [9] shall not enter heauen,
& therefore quake and feare.

KNow that your bodies [15] members are
of Christ, and temples [19] pure
O'th holy Ghost, therefore you [10] must
all [17] filthinesse abiure.

7 LEst men [2] vncleannesse should commit
God [4] mariage doth ordaine;
Know how and when to vse the [5] same,
and when's fit to refraine.

MEn in that calling [20] must abide
wherein they haue [24] beene plac'd;
Keepe [10] wedlocke [11] band, why [25] virginlife
is so [28] prefer'd and grac'd.

8 NO meats to [1] idolls offered [1] eate,
offend [8] not one another;
Abuse not Christian [9] liberty,
but loue ye euery [11] brother.

9 OF his freedome [1] he doth intreat,
and how the [7] Lord ordain'd

Pastors

Pastors to liue [7] by Christs Gospell,
though he himselfe [15] abstain'd.
PReaching, he was not [18] chargeable,
nor did in any case
Offend in things [23] indifferent,
our life is like [24] a race.

10 QVite [1] ignorant you shall not be,
that [4] Iewish Sacraments
Are types of ours; examples [11] eke
are all their [7] punishments.
REfraine from all [14] Idolatry:
beware ye euery one
Christs cup, and cup [21] of Deuills to drinke,
giue ye offence [24] to none.

11 SEE Christ dishonor'd [4] when men pray
or preach with couer'd head;
And when their women in the [6] Church
haue heads vncouered.
THeir meetings [17] were not for their good
the Supper was [23] prophan'd:
He shewes the purity [23] thereof
when first it was ordain'd.

12 VArious are [1] spirituall [4] gifts,
yet doe they profit all
For [7] seruice, and to edifie
Christs [27] body mysticall.

13 ALL gifts (although [2] they doe surmount)
yet are they [3] nothing worth,
Without true loue and charity;
the praise thereof [4] set forth.
BY it we still reioyce [6] in truth,
loue alwayes [7] patience hath;
It neuer [8] failes, but is prefer'd
before [13] our hope and faith.

14 Comman-

14 COmmended here [1] is propheſie,
before [2] ſtrange [3] tongues [4] preferr'd:
To inſtruments compar'd [6] they be,
and both [17] muſt be refer'd
Directly to their [22] proper end,
which is [12] edification:
Th'abuſe [27] is taxt, women deny'd
to [34] ſpeake in congregation.
EVen of their [35] husbands let them learne,
let holy [37] men each one
Confeſſe theſe are the [37] lawes of God:
let things be [40] comely done.

15 FRom Chriſt his [3] reſurrection,
he proues that we [12] muſt riſe,
Againſt him who that Article,
moſt faithleſſly denyes.
GReat [21] fruit to mankind [22] comes thereby
the manner [35] marke and ſee,
How [35] dead ariſe, how men aliue
at that [51] day chang'd ſhall be.

16 HE E bids them [1] ſuccour Salems Saints,
doth [19] Timothie commend;
Giues Chriſtian [13] admonitions;
ſalutes, and [19] makes an end.

2 CORINTHIANS.

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Chapt. *An. Mundi.*

1 AGainst their trouble for the truth,
now the Apostle Paul bewailes
Yeelds reasons of his encouragements
to Christians Corinths all.

BY the unfeignednesse which he had by
his conscience eke and theirs
He calls to witnesse how he preach'd
the truth in all affaires.

COncerning comming vnto them,
he this excuse doth make;
That not for lightnesse he refrain'd,
but rather for their sake.

2 DEclaring why he did not come,
he doth entreat them all
To pardon the excommunicate,
that did lament his fall,

EVen freely as himselfe had done;
why he from Troas went;
He praiseth God for that successe,
which he to th' Gospel sent.

3 False

3 FAlse teachers (1 charging Paul with pride)
he 2 shewes their faith and grace
To be a praise sufficient
against 3 his foes disgrace:
GOod Gospel preaching 4 Ministers,
law-Preachers 5 doe excell,
As far 12 as those that preach of life,
and those that 14 damne to hell.

4 Here he declares how he had 1 'd
all 2 faithfull diligence,
And how all 3 troubles he 4 endur'd
with constant patience,
IN euery place, did still 5 redound
to th' Churches consolation,
To th' praise of Gods 6 most glorious power,
and to his owne 16 saluation.

5 KNowing he hath an 1 house in heauen,
expecting 10 iudgement day;
He striues to keepe his 7 conscience pure,
and's confident alway.
LIfe hauing once receiu'd from 9 Christ,
to Christ he striues to liue;
And by his preaching faith in 18 Christ,
to others life to giue.

6 MAnifold 1 wayes he proues himselfe,
Christs faithfull seruant sure,
By exhortations, and disgrace
which 4 he did still endure.
NO iust offence 3 by him was giuen,
his ministry 4 not charg'd:
Of sufferings he doth 12 boldly speake,
his heart was so inlarg'd,
OF them the like 13 loue he expects,
he bids them 14 all so flee

Pollution

Pollutions [15] with Idolaters,
sith [16] they Gods Temple be.

7 PRoceeding he exhorts them [1] all
to cleanse their soules with care,
To loue him [2] as he loued them,
and then he doth declare,
QVite for to put them out of doubt,
he [4] tooke great consolation,
And ioy'd in his [6] afflictions;
by Titus his [7] narration.
RElating [8] what great godly griefe
his former [11] Letter wrought;
He ioy'd likewise for that [13] great ioy
which they to Titus brought.

8 STirr'd vp they were frankly [1] to giue
to Salems Saints in need,
By [4] Macedonians, and the praise
of their [7] owne former deeds.
TH' example [9] of our Sauiour Christ,
by that [14] spirituall gaine:
Which would [14] redound to them thereby,
he here commends againe.
VNto the Corinths Titus [16] care,
his forwardnesse [18] and [22] others,
Who purposely were come for [23] helpe
for their poore Christian [24] brothers.

9 A Reason yeelded why he [3] sent
Titus to them before:
He [6] stirs to bounty; who sowes much
shall reape [10] abundant store.
BY giuing almes vnto the [14] poore;
they pray with one accord:
And for the [17] same great [13] praises yeeld
vnto the liuing Lord.

10 CArnall and false Apostles [2] did
th'Apostle Paul disgrace;
As base in person [3] and presence,
but [10] powerfull out of place.

DEclaring the [4] spirituall power,
which carnall [7] power doth passe,
He will be found as strong [11] in word,
as he in writing was.

EVen euery one that reacheth [12] our
beyond his compasse set;
Of vaunting pride them to [13] reproue,
Paul doth not here forget.

11 FOrced he is to [1] praise himselfe,
because they did [2] respect
The false Apostles more then [4] him:
his zeale did this [9] effect.

GIuing them all to vnderstand,
that [5] he durst well compare,
And equalize himselfe [6] with those
which chiefe Apostles were.

HE [7] hauing freely preach'd to them,
most plainely proueth then,
That he was not [10] inferior,
to those deceitfull men;

IN lawes [13], prerogatiues, also,
that he more [13] paines did take,
In Churches [28] care, in seruing [23] Christ,
and suffering [24] for his [25] sake.

12 KNowing great [1] reuelations,
among the [2] heauenly hoast;
He boasteth [9] of infirmities,
blames [11] them that made him boast;

LEst he should be [7] too much puft vp;
he Satans buffets had:

Heel

Hee [14]come to them in loue, yet [30] feares
their sinnes will make him sad.

13 MArke how he threatneth not to [3] spare
the sinners obstinate:
Who haue not faith, nor Christ in them,
are proued reprobate.

NExt he exhorts to godly [7] life;
to loue and vertues [11] rare:
He bids them all be [11] of one mind;
and so concludes [14] with prayer.

GALATHIANS

[apt.] *An. M. Andi.*

A Wonder great it is to [6] Paul,
that they were turn'd away
so soone from him, and [7] his Gospel,
which once they did obey.

BY him are men and [8] Angels curst,
who otherwise doe preach
faith, and Christ our [9] Saviour,
then he himselfe did teach.

Christ

CHrists doctrine he [11] of Christ did learne,
and not of mortall men:
His [14] deeds vncall'd, and what once call'd,
he plainly [17] shewes them then.

2 DEclared is the time, and [1] cause,
why Paul to Salem went:
That Titus was [3] not circumcis'd,
right hands to them [9] were lent.
EVen to the face he doth [11] resist
th'Apostle Peter here:
He did withdraw, and [12] scandalize,
and all for Iewish feare.
FAith [16] iustifieth, not our works,
in [16] Christ we trust most sure:
All that are [15] iustifi'd by Christ,
in life [21] are godly, pure.

3 GAlathians, [1] who bewitched you,
your faith in [3] Christ to leaue:
To hang vpon the [7] law, from which
no man [4] can life receiue.
HE that hath faith is [6] iustifi'd,
and is with [9] Abraham blest:
This proued is by reasons strong,
but [10] curst are all the rest.

4 IN bondage [5] to the Law we were,
(as heyre at [3] vnder age)
Till Christ did [4] free vs from the Law,
and did the [5] curse asswage.
KNowing then this, why [9] turne ye backe
to rudiments most vaine?
Obseruing [10] daies, th'Apostle feares
that lost is [11] all his paine.
LOue borne to him, and his to them,
he [19] doth record and name:

He shewes that we are [21] Abrams sonnes,
as those from Sara came.

5 MAde free by Christ, in freedome [1] stand,
obserue [2] not legall rites;
But faith which worketh still by [3] loue,
therein the Lord delights.

NOw fleshly workes [19] are reckned vp,
and fruitfull [20] workes o'th spirit:
The first [21] condemnes, the second makes
that we [22] the heauens inherit.

6 ONe ouertaken with a fault,
(if [1] that he be a brother)
Restore him mildly, and one [2] beare
the burthen of another.

PAul bids them vse their [4] teachers well;
in goodnesse [5] to persist:
What the [13] Law-preachers did intend,
he [7] boasts in [14] crosse of Christ.

EPHESIANS.

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Chapt. An. Mund.

1 AFter his [1] salutations,
and thanks; [2] Paul in this [3] place
Doth treat of our [4] election, and
adoption [5] both by grace.
BEhold of our salvation,
the [11] proper fountaine true:
The mystery whereof is [13] knowne
but to a very few.
COntinually he praiseth God,
and [16] for them prayeth still.
That they in Christ may haue their [18] hope,
and fully know his will.
2 DEad are we all in [1] trespasses
by nature; but by [5] grace
We quickened are, and rais'd with [9] Christ,
to sit in heauenly place.
EVen for good works [10] he hath vs made;
by Christ we [13] are brought neere:
We should not walke as [11] Gentiles doe:
as Saints we [19] must him feare.

3 Faith

3 Faint not for mine [3] afflictions,
the hidden [3] mystery showne
To Paul, that [1] Gentiles should be sau'd,
to men before [5] vnknowne.

Great [8] grace was giuen to him, that [9] he
to them the same might preach:
He [10] praies that they may feele Christs loue
which he did [15] plainly teach.

4 He now [1] exhorts to vnity:
God [7] giueth gifts to [11] men,
That [13] Churches may be edifi'd,
and men be borne [16] agen.

Impurity he calls them from,
wherein [18] the Gentiles walke:
To put on [24] Christs: to lye [25] no more,
to hate all [29] filthy talke.

5 Know how he bids them [1] walke in loue,
to fly all [3] fornication:
With all [4] vncleanneſſe, and to shun
all wicked [7] conuerſation.

Let men be [15] wiſe; fill'd with the [18] ſpirit;
let wiues [23] themſelues approue
To feare [33] their husbands, let them [35] learne
of [31] Christ our Lord to loue.

6 Make children how you honour muſt
your [2] louing parents deare:
Marke ſeruants, how with ſingle [5] hearts,
your maſters you muſt feare.

7 Note [10] our warfare [12] with fleſh and fiends,
and how we are defended
By compleat [13] armour well [18] put on;
Tichichus is [21] commended.

PHILIPPIANS.

Chapt. *An. Mundi.*

1 ALL Saints, which then at Philippi
did liue [1] and had abode,
With Bishops and the Deacons there,
Paul here [2] salutes from God.
BEcause of their great fruits of faith,
their bonds, and Christian thrall;
He testifies [3] his thankes [3] to God,
and kindnesse to them all.
COntinually he prayes to God,
for their [9] increase in grace;
He shewes what good the Gospel had
by him [12], and his disgrace.
DEclaring that his bonds at Rome
did many [14] fortifie;
And how that still he ready was
for Christ [21] to liue or dye.
EXhorting them to [27] vnity,
and Christs [28] crosse vpon take,
He saith it is Gods gift [29] to them,
to suffer for his sake.

2 Faith-

FAithfully he [1] exhorts to loue
and true [2] humiliation;
By Christs [6] humility and loue,
and by his [9] exaltation.

GRaciously that they [12] should walke,
and in good wayes proceed,
As lights to th' world, that he [15] thereby
might much be comforted.

HAuing no long time [17] for to liue,
he [19] hopeth for to send
Timothie and Epaphrodite,
both which he doth [21] commend.

IN any case he warnes them here
false teachers [1] to beware,
Who taught them [3] circumcision,
And then he doth declare

KIndly to them, that he himselfe
had greater [4] cause then they,
To trust in that [5] law-righteousnesse,
which they did so obey.

LOsse yet and dung he counteth it,
so he might Christ [8] obtaine,
And righteousnesse [9] which is by faith,
that was his [10] chiefest gaine.

MEntion he makes [17] of many wants,
which he doth here [13] relate;
Yet bids them all be of his mind,
and him [17] to imitate.

NOt walking as the foes [18] of Christ,
who glory in their shame,
Whose [19] end is hell: but bids them liue
to glorifie his name.

OBserue how he admonisheth
in Christ the [1] Lord to stands

In him to ioy, and ioy [4] againe
because the Lord's at hand.

PVre things he bids them thinke vpon,
and things [8] of good report;
To pray and prayse [6] God, that his peace
might be their hearts [7] comfort.

QVietly he commands them doe
what things [8] belong to loue;
He thankes them for their [10] kindnesse which
he did in prison proue.

REioycing more for that good grace,
which God had in them wrought;
Then for the comforts and supplies
which vnto him they brought.

SWeet smelling sacrifice it was,
which pleas'd the [12] Lord full well:
He ends with prayer, [13] and salutes
the Saints that doe excell.

COLOSSIANS.

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Chap. *Am. Mundi.*

1 ALL grace and peace [1] he prayeth for,
from God and Christ our Lord:
He thankes God for their [2] faith and loue,
and brotherly concord.
BY Epaphras he heard [6] thereof,
whom he doth well [7] approue:
He prayeth for increase of grace,
of knowledge, [10] faith and loue.
CHrist he [14] doth truely here describe
to be both God and man:
The Churches [18] head, and [17] ruling all,
euen since the world began.
DIuinely he doth stirre them vp,
in true faith to [21] persist:
He prayeth [23] his owne ministry,
in preaching Iesus Christ.
2 EXceeding fearfull Paul is here,
least they from [2] Christ should fall;

And therefore [6] vnto constancy
he doth exhort [7] them all.

FRom vaine inuentions of men
he bids them [8] all abstaine:
From humane vaine Philosophy
they likewise must refraine.

GReat heed he bids them take that they
no vaine [16] will-worships vse,
Nor humane precepts taught by men,
but should such things refuse.

HE from the [17] worship of Angels,
and ceremonies all,
(Which shadowes hadde [18] an end in Christ)
most Christianly doth call.

3 IN heauen he bids them all seeke Christ,
and on him [2] set their hearts
To mortifie their [4] members all,
and from their [5] sinnes depart.

KNowing Gods wrath doth daily fall
on such as [6] disobey,
He bids them put off anger, [8] wrath,
and euery sinfull way.

LYes also they must lay aside,
and Christ they must put on,
With charity, [12] humility,
loue and compassion.

MAn [13], wife [14], and children [15] here may learn
what vice to shun and fly:
Seruants must not their [17] masters serue,
with seruice to the eye.

4 NOte that all those that masters be,
a Master haue aboue,
And must deale well with their seruants,
he bids them liue in loue.

O Let your ſpeech [4]bee gratious,
let time be rightly ſpent:
Saluting them, he wiſheth grace
from God to them be ſent.

1 THESSALONIANS.

Chapt. *An. Mundi.*

1 A Poſtle Paul doth certifie
the Theſſalonians [2] all,
How he at all times thought on them,
when he on [3] God did call.

B Oth when he pray'd and prayſed God,
he alſo doth [5]expreſſe
How well he was perſwaded of
that truth they did [12] profeſſe,

C Ounting their faith moſt precious,
their liues pure [7] and ſincere;
From whom the word was [8] publiſhed,
and ſounded euery where.

2 D Eclaring after [9] what manner
the Goſpell firſt [2] was brought,
And how that they receiu'd the ſame,
when it was preacht [13] and taught.

ENuious Sathan [8]him Jered,
and kept him from their sight:
He long'd to [10]see them, for they were
his glory, crowne, delight.

3 FAithfully Paul [1]doth test ſie
the loue that he did beare
Vnto the [2]Theſſalonians,
and therefore ſends to cheare,
GOod Timothy, who comforts them,
and ſtrengthens with his voice:
Paul alſo in their [7]well doing
doth very much reioyce.
HE witneſſeth his wondrous loue,
by prayers [12]made for grace:
And by his [13]maruellous deſire
he hath to ſee their face.

4 IN all manner [1]of godlineſſe,
[2]exhorting [3]to proceed,
He bids them [5]holy be and iuſt,
in euery [6]word and deed.
KIndly to liue [9]in loue with all,
to follow quietly,
Their owne not others buſineſſe,
and that they moderately
LAment and mourne [13]for thoſe that dye,
who all muſt [14]riſe againe.
Whom Chriſt will [17]come to iudge and free
from euerlaſting paine.

5 MOre large [1]deſcription is made,
of Chriſts laſt iudgement day:
When wicked [3]men ſhall not eſcape,
but all be ſwept away.
NOtable precepts [6]here he giues,
how men [7]ſhould them behaue

Both

Both holily [2] and soberly,
that they their soules may saue.
OBseruing them, he bids abstaine
from all the [22] shewes of sinne:
He prayes [23] they may be sanctified
without and eke within.

2. THESSALONIANS.

Chapt: *An. Mundi.*

1 ALL grace and peace from God and Christ,
Paul prayes [2] for hartily,
And what he thought of their [4] true faith,
he them doth certifie.
BOund to prayse God (he saith) he is
for their [3] increase in loue.
And patience [4] in affliction,
which did declare and proue,
CErtainly and by [5] reasons strong,
that they [7] should left obtaine:
When persecutors should be plagu'd,
and suffer endlesse [9] paine.
DAily he prayeth God for them,
that they might counted be-

Worthy of such an high calling,
and Christ in glory see.

2 EArnestly he beseecheth [1] them,
that they continue still
In faith and [2] truth, which they had learn'd,
according to Gods will.

FOr he assureth euery one;
and thus he [2] plainly saith,
That Christ shall not come, till there be
[2] falling from the faith.

GAinst Antichrist must be vented
that wicked man [3] of sinne,
Whose mystery [7] of wickednesse,
at that time did begin.

HEr exhortations thereupon,
he giues [4] both great and small,
And prayeth heartily that they
may in the truth remaine.

IN them what confidence he hath,
he plainly [5] testifies:
He craues their prayers for himselfe,
he prayes [5] for them likewise.

KNowne for to walke disorderly
if any brother [6] be,
He doth command them in Gods name,
to shun [7] his company.

LIkewise he bids shun idlenesse,
he labour'd for his meat;
And charged, that who would not worke
they should [8] in no sort eate.

1 TIMOTHIE.

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Chapt.

A Charge was giuen to Timothy,
by the [2] Apostle Paul,
When he to Macedonia went,
which he to mind [4] did call.
BEseeching him that he would charge
men that they [3] would not preach
Vaine fabulous Genealogies,
but Christian doctrine teach.
COunt that the law is passing good,
if it be vsed [8] right:
It is not giuen to righteous men,
but to the wicked wight.
DVe thanks are yeelded vnto Christ
here by th'Apostle [12] Paul;
Who him that [13] was a blasphemer,
did to the Gospel call.
EXcommunicated by Paul
are two blasphemers here;
And cast to Sathan [20], that they might
the Lords name learne to feare.

2 For

2 FOr all men he exhorts to pray,
and prayse the liuing Lord:
For Kings and Magistrates that sway
the scepter and the sword;
Giuing this reason, that we may
liue well and honestly:
He bids that woman be attir'd
in comely modesty.

HEE will not haue a woman teach,
but subiect still to be,
For all the threatnings of Gods wrath,
she sauèd sure shall be,
IF she continue in the faith,
in loue and charity,
In holy conuersation,
and chast sobriety.

3 KNow here how Bishops, and Deacons,
should qualified be;
What kinde of wines they ought to take,
thou here maist plainly see,
LEarne why th'Apostle wrote these things,
to godly Timothy;
It was that he might rule the Church
in holy puritie.

MArke here the blessed truth profest,
and taught for Christians gaine:
Christ God and man of Angells seene,
who now in heauen doth raigne.

4 NOw doth the Spirit plainly speake,
that in the latter times,
Men shall depart from Christian faith,
full fraught with filthy crimes.
OBseruing and lending their eares
to doctrines of the Deuill,

Speaking

Speaking lyes [2] in hypocriſie,
with conſcience foule and euill.
POpelike forbidding [3] mariage,
and meats ordain'd for food:
The which withall the creatures,
to godly men are good.
QVite to refuſe prophane fables,
he Timothy commands
To exerciſe [8] true godlineſſe,
for which he ſuffered bands.
READ, teach, [13] exhoxt and meditate,
Paul bids [15] him in this place;
And be example vnto [12] all
of godlineſſe and grace.
5 SEE here what rules muſt be obſeru'd
when Elders [1] are reprou'd:
How Widowes liuing [6] in delight,
ſtarke dead in ſinne are proui'd.
THoſe Elders that rule well the Church,
count worthy double gaine:
But chiefly thoſe that [17] preach the word
and therein take great paine.
VNto Timotheus Paul giues charge,
theſe rules [21] ſtill to obſerue:
He wine, no water bids him drinke,
his health [23] ſo to preſerue.
AVoyd and ſhunne all ſuch teachers,
as will [3] not yeeld conſent
To wholſome doctrine, but to ſtriſe
and brawling [4] ſtill are bent.
6 BEhold the [5] ſeruants duty here,
godlineſſe is [6] great gaine:
From loue of money [10] (roote of euill)
he charged [11] to refraine.

Charged

CHarged he is [13] before Iesus,
and God the Father here,
To keepe these lawes [14] without all spot,
till Christ the Iudge appeare.
DIssuaded are all wealthy men
from trusting [17] in their wealth,
And Timothy is charg'd to keepe
the words [20] of sauing health.

2 TIMOTHIE.

Chapt. *An. Mundi.*

1 ALL mercy, grace and peace from God,
Paul wisheth [2] still may light
On Timothy, for whom he prayes,
and praiseth day and night.
BEhold his loue to Timothie,
and [3] Timothies true faith,
His mothers, and [5] his grandmothers,
as Paul here witnesseth.
COncerning gifts giuen [6] him of God,
he must them still [7] augment;
He bids him in afflictions,
still to [8] be patient;

Departing

DEparting neuer from that truth,
nor forme [9] of doctrine pure
Which he hath heard [10] and learn'd from him,
and was both sound and sure.
EVen all that were in Asia,
he saith were [15] fled away:
Phigellus and Hermogenes,
with Paul they would not stay.
VIl highly Onesiphorus
commended is by Paul,
Who prayeth heartily for him,
and for his houshold all.
GIuing good exhortations,
still constant [1] to abide;
And as Gods faithfull Minister,
his holy word diuide. [2]
HE bids him striue to [12] winne the crowne,
and all vaine [16] bablings flay:
Of Himeneus, and Philetus,
who stray'd out of the way
In poynt of resurrection,
saying that it was [18] past;
He speaketh here but Gods [19] ground-worke
is steady, sure and fast.
KNowne are to him his holy ones,
but he that would be sure,
And calleth on [19] the name of Christ,
must holy be and pure.
ET lusts [22] of youth he laid aside,
and gently thy selfe [24] behaue,
With meekenesse teach [25] all Sathans slaues,
their [26] soules aliue to saue.
MEn shall in latter [1] dayes be proud,
(this Paul doth prophesie)

Fierce

Fierce, false, accusers [3], and prophane,
full of hypocrisie.

NOr caring for good Christians,
their pleasures will pursue
Farre more then [4] Gods Commandements
which holy are and true.

OF such deceivers to take heed,
Paul warning here doth give,
And saith that all must suffer wrong
that godly [12] meane to live.

PErsist he bids [14] Timotheus,
in things [15] taught him of old,
The profit [16] which by Scripture comes,
by Paul is [17] fully told.

4 QVickly he bid him [1] come to him,
charging before [2] the Lord:
That he be instant every where
in preaching of the word.

REbuking vice, and patiently
to suffer [5] persecution:
He maketh [6] mention of his death,
and finall dissolution.

SHewing that men with itching eares,
the truth [3] would not endure:
But for him (having [7] kept the faith)
a Crowne [8] was laid vp sure.

THat Demas had [10] imbrac'd the world,
and would goe preach no more;
That [14] Alexander (cruell smith)
had vexed him full sore;

VNto Timotheus [16] he sheweth,
that all did him forsake:
And that the Lord in that distresse,
his cause did [17] vndertake.

TITVS.

Chapt. *An. Mundi.*

A Duertised is Titus here,
his care 1 for to expresse,
To gouerne well the Church of God,
and faults for to redresse.
BEing for that end left in Creet,
a while there to remaine;
That he in euery City should
good Ministers ordaine.
CHoose blamelesse 7 Bishops there hee must,
for euery congregation:
Not couetous 8 but sober men,
of godly conuersation;
DOing Gods will most faithfully,
that so they may conuince
And stop the mouthes of those, that at
the truth doe kicke and wince.
EVill beasts, slow bellies, and lyars,
the Cretians are (he saith)
Titus he bids rebuke them, that
they might be brought to faith.

Fables,

FAbles, and to mens precepts,
not giuing any heed,
Which turne men from Gods holy word,
which is the truth indeed.

GOod men and pure, haue all things pure,
the wicked haue no so:
Whose mouthes professe, whose workes deny,
these subiect are to woe.

2 HEre Titus hath directions
both how to teach and liue.
What precepts he to young and old,
and seruants eke should giue.

INstructing old men to be graue,
sober and sound in faith,
Old women must teach holy things
to yonger wiues (be saith)

KEepers at home, chast and discreet,
they must in any case
Still shew themselues, left Christs Gospel
by them should haue disgrace.

LIkewise yong men are bid to liue
in all sobrietie:
And Titus must a patterne be
of godly grauitie.

MAsters must be obey'd and pleas'd
of seruants taking paine,
Shewing forth all fidelity;
not answering againe.

NOte that Gods grace hath now appear'd,
and teacheth vs to fly
Vngodlinesse and worldly lusts,
and so liue soberly:

OVr Sauiour still looking for,
who was content to dye:

That he might saue vs, and our soules
from sinne might purifie,

3 PAul here bids Titus to exhort,
and put them all in minde
Their Magistrates still to obey,
and to be meeke and kinde.

QVicke, ready, forward eke to be
to euery godly deed,
And that they should in goodnesse still,
and gentlenesse proceed.

RElating that euen he himselfe,
was in times past most vile,
Liuing in all licentiousnesse,
in malice, enuy, guile:

SEruing his lusts, vntill Gods loue,
and Christs did plaine appeare,
Not by the works which he had done,
but of his mercy meere.

That Christ he saith hath saued vs
by true regeneration,
Washing vs in his blood, and by
the spirits renouation,

VPon vs richly which he shed,
that he our soules might saue,
And iustifie vs by his grace,
eternall life to haue.

AQuia'd is Titus this to teach,
that who in God beleeue
Should carefully shew forth good works,
and in his feare should liue.

BVt foolish questions all should hate,
of fruitlesse brawlings vaine,
An hereticke twice warn'd they must
reiect, auoid, disdaine,

Con-

COndemned euen in his owne heart,
and of himselfe he is:
He bids that Titus should with speed,
come to Nicopolis.
DEclaring that he purpos'd there
to winter and remaine,
To doe some workes of curtesie,
Paul bids him take some paine.
EXhorting them to shew good workes,
and fruitfull be alwayes:
He greets them all that faithfull be,
for grace and peace then prayes.

PHILEMON.

Chapt. *Anno Mundi*

1 A Seruant nam'd Onesimus
first rob'd, then runne away
From good Philemon his master,
and with Saint Paul did stay.
BY whom when he was wonne to Christ,
and truly did repent;

Vnto his Master Philemon
hee home againe was sent.
CHristianly and earnestly
th'Apostle 10 Paul doth craue,
That for 11 his sake Onesimus
might full forgiuenesse haue.
DVeries of one good Christian
belonging to 17 another,
He proueth by strong 16 reasons sent
to Philemon his brother.
EXceedingly Philemons faith,
and loue he here commends:
And last with salutations
and prayer all he ends.

HEBREVVES.

Chapt. Ann. Mundi.

AForetime God by Prophets spake
vnto our Fathers old;
Now by his Sonne the truth 2 he hath
diuinely taught and told.

By

BY whom, and by his mighty word,
the worlds created were;
Who by himselfe hath purg'd our sinnes,
and all things vp doth beare.

CReated Angels he † excels,
as being Gods owne sonne,
To whom by men and Angells both,
all honor must be done.

DEclar'd he was vnto the world,
euen at th' † appointed day;
Of righteousnesse the Kingdome he,
and scepter still doth sway:

EVen as garment † heauens waxe old,
but he doth still remaine:
They shall be chang'd, but Christ our Lord
for euermore shall reigne,

FVll great heed therefore must we take
and duly still regard,
That we forget none of his words,
for feare of iust reward.

2 GReat plagues th' y had that did despise
the words which Angels spake,
But we (neglecting Christs Gospell)
what payment † shall we take?

HE crowned is with glory great,
to blisse hath many brought:
Through death he hath destroy'd the Deuill,
and our redemption wrought.

IN all things he was made like vs,
the Angels nature he
In no sort tooke, that he to vs
a faithfull Priest might be,

KNowing well how to comfort them,
that fall into temptation:

And

nd for the ſinnes of Saints to make
full reconciliation.

LOe Moſes here to Chriſt compar'd,
is proued for to be
s ſeruant to his maſter is)
inferiour in degree.

MOre glory farre the houſe builder
deſerueth for to haue
hen doth the houſe, or doth the ſonne
more then the ſeruant craue.

NOte that we are this houſe of Chriſt,
if that we ſhall hold faſt
ur confidence and hope in him,
as long as life ſhall laſt.

OBſerue how he bids vs therefore
to heare his voyce to day,
nd that no longer with hard hearts
we ſhould him diſobey.

PRouoking him as fore fathers
did in the wilderneſſe:
eſt that in wrath he baniſh vs
out of his bleſſed reſt.

QVickly take heed that there be not
in you a wicked heart,
nfaithfully to cauſe you fall,
and from the Lord depart.

REbuke, exhort you one another,
leſt ſinne your ſoules deceiue;
or if we keepe faith to the end,
we Chriſt, and heauen ſhall haue.

SOme when they heard obey'd him not,
but ſtill in ſinne did liue;
o whom he ſware that he no reſt
at all to them would giue.

4 Therefore

4 THerefore let vs take heed, and feare,
his promise to forsake;
They heard, but through their vnbeliefe,
they did no profit take.
VNto vs was the Gospell preach'd,
beleeuers all are blest;
For all the godly of the world,
there doth remaine a rest.
WHich rest who so hath entered,
from his owne worke hath ceast:
(As God from his) let vs then striue
from sinne to be releast.
A Sunder doth the word of God
diuide mans soule and will:
And as a sharpe two edged sword,
sinne in th' elect doth kill.
BEcause we haue a great High Priest,
now set in heauenly place,
Who feeles our wants, let's boldly goe
vnto the throne of grace.

5 COmparing Iesus Christ our Lord,
with Priests Leuiticall,
He shewes wherein they doe agree,
wherein they differ all.
DEclaring that euery High Priest
is for mankind ordain'd
To offer gifts, [2] that pardon so
for sinne might be obtain'd.
EVen for his owne [3], and peoples sinnes,
these offerings he makes:
None but the [4] call'd (as Aaron was)
this honour on him takes.
FOr Christ did not this honour take,
an high Priest to be [5] made:

But God, who ſaid, thou art my Sonne,
that honour on him laid.
GOd ſaid thou art a [c] Prieſt for euer,
he prayers made with teares
To him that able was to ſaue;
who freed him from his feares.
HE though he were his deareſt Sonne,
yet by his ſufferings
Did learne obedience, and is he
that now [9] ſaluation brings.
Ewes negligence is here reproou'd,
who were ſo [11] dull to heare:
That though they had beene long [12] time taught,
yet ſtrong meat could not beare.
KNowledge they had but very ſmall,
of milke they ſtill had need;
Strong meat belonged [13] not to ſuch,
on milke [14] they ſtill did feed;
LEarning the Chriſtian principles
of mournefull hearts confeſſion,
Of faith and of the ſacraments,
and of the reſurrection.
MOre forward he would haue them led,
he would not haue them faint:
But to be ſtedfaſt in the [12] faith,
in troubles patient.
NOte here the danger of all thoſe,
that after truth receiu'd,
Hauing once taſted heauenly gifts,
are afterward [6] deceiu'd.
OHow impoſſible it is,
that they that fall away,
Should by repentance be renew'd,
they Chriſt againe doe ſlay.

PRaiſed and bleſſed is the earth,
that drinkes in ſtore [7] of raine:
And for the dreſſer bringeth forth
hearbes, fruits, and ſtore of graine.

QVeſtionleſſe that earth, that thornes
and bryers bringeth forth;
Is neer to curſing, [8] muſt be burn'd
as earth that's nothing worth.

RIghteous in his promiſes
the Lord is alwaies found;
He ſtill rewards [10] their workes of loue,
that in good workes abound.

SEe here how God euen by himſelfe,
to Abraham [13] did ſweare,
That he would bleſſe him [14] wrondrouſly,
and ſtill his loue declare.

TO him, and to the heires of life,
he plainly ſhewes to both,
The ſtableneſſe [16] of his counſell,
and binds himſelfe by oath.

VNpoſſible it is that God
ſhould deale vnfaithfully,
Sith by his word, and oath he binds
himſelfe ſo [18] ſtedfaſtly.

WHereby we haue a refuge ſure,
and moſt ſtrong conſolation,
Moſt firmely for to [19] hold that hope
we haue of our ſaluation.

ASted fast anchor of the ſoule
which enters in through grace,
Where Chriſt is [20] entred, to prepare
for vs a holy place.

7 BY Melchiſedecke King of peace,
and Prieſt of God moſt high,

Is father Abraham bleſt, when he
returnd form victory.

COnſider how that he is ſaid
to want [3] a pedigree,
That he vnto the Sonne of God
might well reſembled be.

DOe well, conſider the greatneſſe,
of this High Prieſt I ſay,
To whom the [4] Patriarch Abraham,
the tithes of ſpoyles did pay.

EVen by commandement, by the law,
the Leuites tithes poſſeſt;
But Abraham to Melchiſedeck
did pay them, and [7] was bleſt:

FOr Leui to Melchiſedeck
did Abraham [9] alſo pay,
Becauſe that he, when they two met,
in loynes [10] of Abraham lay.

GReater is this his Prieſthood then,
and of far more perfection,
Then that of Leuies, or of that
which [11] was of Aaron.

HE (euen our [13] Lord) of Iuda came
no ſpeech did Moſes make
That either Iuda [14] or his tribe
ſhould holy Prieſthood take.

IT is a thing moſt euident,
moſt manifeſt and cleare;
That he was made Prieſt by an oath,
by whom we all [19] draw neere.

KEeping the faith, to [18] Gods owne throne
he is our ſurety ſure,
Of a farre better couenant,
he euer [24] doth endure.

LIuing for [24] euer, he is of power
to saue all those from thrall,
That vnto God doe [25] come by him,
and for his mercy call.

MOst perfectly he doth them saue,
and intercession makes;
An holy harmlesse [26] Priest is he,
who for vs vndertakes.

8 NOte well the summe of all that's said;
we haue a Priest most high
That sits at Gods [1] right hand in heauen,
in glory and maiesty.

OF holy [2] things, and tabernacle,
(which is the body of Christ)
A Minister, who offreth gifts
as well as did high Priest.

PRiests offer gifts, euen [3] so doth he;
Moses was bid to make
All things [5] according to patterne,
which he from God did take.

QVestionlesse a ministry
that's farre more excellent
He hath, a [6] mediatour of
a better testament.

READ that for second couenant
place should not haue [7] beene sought,
If that the first had faultlesse beene,
and could haue safely wrought.

SVch couenant with Israel,
and Iuhah [8] hee'll not make,
As with their fathers, when he did
them out of Egypt take.

THey therin did not long persist,
and he from them [9] departed.

But in their minds [10] hee'll put his lawes,
and write them in their hearts.
VNto them I will be their God,
and they my folks shall bee;
Thus saith the Lord, both great and small
shall knowledge [11] haue of mee.
WIth mercy I will them behold,
to them I will be kinde,
Their sinnes and their transgressions
I will blot out of minde.

9 A Large description here is made
of outward legall rites,
Which God taught Moses, and which he
did teach the Israelites.
BEhold both rites and Sanctuary,
which first old test'ment had,
Not heauenly, nor spirituall;
which made mens hearts more glad.
CAndlestick, table, and shew-bread
were therein set and plac't,
With name of holy places was
that tabernacle grac't.
DIspos'd and plac'd within the vaile
(which holiest place is call'd)
Was golden censer, and the Arke
about with gold o'relayd.
EVen Aarons rod, and golden pot,
that Manna [4] had therein,
The tables, and the [5] Cherubins
were put the vaile within.
FIrst tabernacle thus ordain'd,
the Priests did dayly goe
There for to offer sacrifice,
the Lord commanded so.

GOD bad the high Priest for to goe
alone [7] once euery yeare
Into the holy place of all,
with blood to offer there.

HE for himselfe, and peoples sinnes
did offer there alone,
Which seruice [9] did not sanctifie
himselfe, nor any one,

IN conscience, for it did consist
in sacrificing rites,
Which were commanded till [11] Christ came
who cleanseth sinners quite.

KNow here that Christ is our high Priest
of good things yet to come,
Who [12] not by blood of Goats nor Calues,
did pay our soules ransome.

LEarne that that [13] blood did outwardly
the body purifie,
O now much more shall [14] Christ his blood
our conscience sanctifie.

MAking vs serue the liuing God,
and all dead [14] workes to hate,
Hee is the [15] Mediatour true,
which brings to blessed state.

NEw Testament [17] he hath confirm'd
euen by his death alone,
And entred hath the holyest place,
for he to [24] heauen is gone.

ONce hath he offered vp himselfe,
our sinnes to take away,
And shall againe come iudge [28] his folke
to life at latter day.

10 POwer for to clense away our sinnes
the law had none at all

To

To Christs body once offered,
that vertue did befall.

QVite vnpossible a thing it is
to take away our sinnes
By blood of Buls, [9] or by the blood
of Goates or such like things.

REdeem'd we are from death and hell
by Christs [10] blood, which hee shed
Once for vs all, when he on crosse
his body offered.

SO that he hath for euermore
their sinnes [14] wash't all away
That are elect, and sanctifi'd,
and doe his will obey.

THis doth the holy Ghost witnesse,
and thus hath said before,
My law [16] I will write in their hearts,
their sinnes thinke on [17] no more.

VNto him then let vs draw neere
with hearts made [22] pure by faith,
Still hoping in his promises,
he will doe what he saith.

WEE willed are here to consider
each one his Christian brother,
And vnto [24] loue, and to good workes
to stirre vp one another.

ALL are exhorted thus to doe,
because the day drawes [25] neere,
When Christ (to iudge the quicke and dead)
will second time appeare.

BVT if we [26] shall sinne willingly,
when we this truth haue knowne,
Wee haue [27] no sacrifice for sinne,
but must in hell be throwne.

CHrist who forsakes and doth despise,
and treads him [29] under foot;
And doth despise the spirit of grace,
the Lord will root [30] him [31] out.

DAyes that are past, he bids call backe,
and bring into their [32] mind
How after light receiu'd they did
full sore afflictions find.

ENduring many scoffs and taunts,
and tossed to and fro,
And being still [33] companions
of Christians vexed so.

FOr him (hee saith) they sorrowed,
and suffered willingly
The spoyling of their [34] goods, because
they riches had on high.

GReat recompence, of large reward,
their confidence and faith
Haue in the heauens [35] with Christ our Lord,
thus here th' Apostle saith.

HE also saith that we had need
great patience to haue,
That after we [36] haue done his will,
we may the crowne receiue.

IN meane time, for a little while
of patience we haue need
To come with [37] speed, without delay,
our Sauiour hath decreed.

KNow that the iust shall liue by faith,
but who withdrawes his heart;
In him the Lord takes no delight,
but will from him depart.

LO faith is here defin'd to bee
the ground and euidence

Of things we hope [1] for, not ſubject
to ſight or humane ſenſe.
MAny Elders [2] had by their faith
a worthy approbation;
By it of all things in this world,
we know the firſt [3] creation.
NOte that by faith good Abel brought
a better [4] gift then Caine,
And by it of his righteouſneſſe
a witneſſe did obtaine.
OBſerue how Enoch by his faith
from earth [5] was had away;
Before which time men did report,
that he did God obey.
PLeaſe God we cannot without faith
for firſt we [6] muſt beliue
That he to all that ſeeke him right,
a good reward will giue.
QVickly did Noe by faith prepare
the Arke when God foretold
Of things not [7] ſeene, whereby he ſau'd
himſelfe and his houſhold.
RIghteous Abraham (by his faith)
into a place did goe,
Which afterwards he ſhould receiue,
but when he did not know.
SO he by faith in promiſt land
as ſtranger [9] iournied there,
In tents, as Iſaac and Iacob,
who heires of promiſe were.
THrough faith old Sarah ſtrength receiu'd
ſeed to conceiue at laſt;
And was deliuered of a [11] Child,
when teeming yeares were paſt.

VP sprang there one, from her wombe then,
(which was as one euen dead)
So many as the starrs and sands
not to be numbered.

WIth eyes of faith all these did see,
yet did not really
Enioy the [13] promis'd Canaan,
but in that faith did dy.

AN heauenly country they [14] sought for,
that was their chiefest care;
God therefore would be call'd their God,
and heauen for them prepare.

BY faith, when God had Abraham tri'd,
his [17] sonne he offered;
That God could raise him up againe
he well considered.

COncerning things that were to come,
good Isaac Iacob [20] blest;
And Iacob vnto Iosephs sonnes
by faith his [21] loue expresst.

DEparting hence, Ioseph by faith
to brethren mention makes
Of their [22] departure; of his bones
hee bids they care should take.

ENdu'd with faith, Moses was hid
three months by Parents deare;
They saw he [23] was a proper child,
Kings charge they did not feare.

FAith caused Moses when as he
came to discretion,
For to refuse once [24] to be call'd
King Pharaohs daughters sonne:

GOds people he doth rather choose
to liue with in exile,

The

hen to enioy theſe ſinfull ioyes,
which laſt but for a while.
HE ſ the rebukes of Chriſt eſteem'd,
and much more did regard
hen Egypts treaſures, looked to
the price of high reward.
Inuiſible God by faith he ſaw,
and Egypt land forſooke:
ng Pharaohs rage hee feared not,
with patience all things tooke.
NOw that through faith the paſſouer,
and bloodſhed [28] he ordain'd;
eſt hee that the firſt borne deſtroid
ſhould touch them ſo againe.
EArne that by faith they paſſed through
the ſea, as by dry land;
Which when th' Egyptians ſought to doe,
were all drown'd out of hand.
MArke how the wals of Iericho
by faith did [30] all fall downe,
When the ſeuen dayes had compaſſed
that ſtrong and fenced towne.
NOte how by faith Rahab is ſau'd,
and did not with them dye
That diſobey'd, when [31] ſhe had vs'd
the ſpyes ſo louingly.
OWhat a number more there are,
time will not ſerue to tell;
Of Barac, [32] Samſon, Gideon,
Iepht', Dauid, Samuel.
PRophets alſo, which all through faith
kingdomes ſubdu'd and gain'd,
Wrought righteouſneſſe, ſtop't Lyons mouths,
and promiſes obtain'd.

Quench'd

QVench'd violence of flaming fire,
escap'd the sword in fight:
Of weake, made strong and valiant,
great Armies turn'd to flight.

RAis'd were the women dead to life,
some rack'd would not be free;
That they might rise againe to life,
and heauenly things might see.

SOme haue by mockings and scourgings
beene try'd most shamefully;
And some by bonds and prisonment,
and some ston'd cruelly.

THey tempted were, slaine with the sword,
and some were hewne asunder:
In sheepes and goats skins wandering,
a thing whereat to wonder.

VExed they were and tormented,
yea destitute of aid:
The world not worthy of such men,
about they wandered.

WIthin the desert wildernesse,
in mountaines, dens and caues:
All these through faith had good report,
but promise none receiues.

ABetter thing the Lord for vs
prouided hath, and said
That they without vs shall not be
a perfect body made.

BEing therefore thus compassed
with witnesses such store;
Let's cast away all pressing things,
and striue to sinne no more.

CHeerfully let vs run the races
with patience and with feares.

That's

Thus set before vs, and looke vp
Christ our Sauiour deare.

LVely considering that he is
Of faith the author sure;
For the ioy before him set
death on crosse endure.

Endure he did the vile speeches
of wicked men and blind:
Which we must thinke on, lest we should
be weary and faint in mind.

For ye haue not as yet (saith he)
Resisted vnto blood;
Haue put out of your mind,
that comfort sweet and good,

Giuen to you as to his sonnes,
whom he bids not despise:
Not faint for those corrections
which from him doe arise.

HEe doth chastise and scourge each one,
whom he doth dearly loue;
No son he hath but doth sometime
his scourging feele and proue.

If ye (saith he) his chastising
doe patiently indure,
As vnto sonnes God vnto you
himselfe doth offer sure.

KNow that if any doe not feele
The Lords correcting hand;
That they are bastards and no sonnes,
they here may vnderstand.

LOuing kind parents we haue had,
our bodies to correct,
And we did giue them reuerence,
should we not then subiect

Much

MVch more our ſelues to him that is
the father of our ſpirit:
That we might liue eternally,
and higheſt heauens inherit?
NOte that they did but for few dayes,
and for their pleaſures ſake,
Correct vs, but he for our good,
that we might ſo partake
OF his exceeding holineſſe:
now no chaſtiſement ſeemes
To be deligh tſome for the time
.ts rather grieuous deem'd,
PAſſing great fruit of righteouſneſſe
yet afterward it brings
To thoſe that exereiſed are
with ſuch ſharpe chaſtiſings.
QVickly therefore lift vp your hands,
and knees that are ſo weake,
And ſee that ſtraight and ſteddy ſteps
vnto your feet you make.
RVn on ſtill in a godly courſe,
leſt halting things and lame,
Be turned quite out of the way,
but rather heale the ſame.
SEe that ye follow peace withall,
and holy life imbrace,
Without the which no man ſhall ſee,
the Lords moſt bleſſed face.
TAke heed that no man from Gods grace
doth ſhrinke or fall away;
And let no fruit of bitterneſſe
ſpring vp to cauſe decay.
VIle fornicator or prophane,
let none among you dwell:

As Esau was, who his birthright
for meat away did sell,
WHo afterward (ye know) when he
the blessing sought to haue,
God did reiect him, and no place,
vnto repentance gaue.
ALthough hee sought the same with teares,
now this thing vnderstand
That ye are not come to the mount
which might be touch'd with hand.
BVrning with fire, nor vnto
blacke darkenesse full of dread,
To tempest, trumpets, sound nor voice,
with terrors vttered.
COncerning which, all they that heard,
themselues did then excuse,
And for to heare it so againe,
did vtterly refuse.
DEclaring that they in no ease
could those commandements heare,
So dreadfull were the sights then seene
that Moses quak'd for feare.
EVen to Mount Sion are ye come
to Gods owne City sure,
To heauenly Salem, and Angells
which holy are and pure.
FIrst borne, which written are in heauen,
and to their congregation,
To Iesus which for vs doth make
a perfect mediation.
GOd Iudge of all, and to the soules
of iust and perfect men;
To sprinkled blood which better speakes
then that blood shed by Cain.

Heare

HEare therefore and despise him not,
that speakes from heauen aboue;
Who Moses words refus'd to heare,
Gods plagues did tast and proue.

IF we refuse and from Christs word
shall turne away our eare,
We shall not scape, for greater plagues
we sure away shall beare.

KNow that his voice did shake the earth,
and now declareth he,
That once againe he will it shake,
yea heauen shall shaken be.

LOe this word (*once more*) signifies
remouall once againe
Of shaken things made with mens hands,
that sure things may remaine.

MErcifully sith we from God
a Kingdome doe receiue,
That cannot shaken be nor mou'd,
let's striue such grace to haue.

NOw so to serue the Lord, that we
may doe his whole desire:
With feare and reuerence, for God
is a consuming fire.

13 OLet the loue of brothers deare
among you still remaine;
Be not forgetfull, to your power
strangers to entertaine.

PAtriarkes by that pious meanes,
haue Angells entertain'd
Into their houses vnawares,
and haue a blessing gain'd.

QVickly remember those that are,
in bonds, in griefe, and woe,

As if you were in bonds with them,
and were afflicted so.

READ here how God hath honored,
the holy wedlocke state;
How whoremongers, adulterers
he doth abhorre and hate.

SEe that your conuersation
be without couetousnesse;
And be content with that you haue,
and things which you possesse.

THe Lord hath said I will not faile,
nor will I thee forsake;
So that we all may boldly say,
the Lord my part doth take.

VNto me what vaine man can doe
I will not therefore feare;
Your Ouerseers haue in mind,
which Gods word doe declare,

ATtending well vnto the end
of their good conuersation;
Christ is, and was, and will be still,
the Churches sure foundation.

BEware (saith he) and be not led
with doctrines strange and base:
For it is good to haue our hearts
established still with grace.

COunt ye that meates and legall rites
no good nor profit brings
To them that haue beene exercis'd
in such like fruitlesse things.

DEspising them, let vs to Christ
still offer laud and praise,
Fruit of our lips: let vs confesse
his holy name alwaies.

Liuer

EVer remember to doe good,
and to [16] releeue the poore:
God is well pleas'd with such offrings,
and will them blesse therefore.

FReely obey all those that haue,
of you the, [17] ouersight:
Submit your selues, they for your soules
doe watch both day and night.

GIue an account for them they must
which that they may with ioy
Performe, [17] and not with griefe of heart,
your chiefest care imploy.

HE bids them here for him to pray,
and knowes assuredly
His conscience to be good, and striues
to liue still honestly.

IN earnest sort he them desires,
their prayers to afford,
That vnto them [19] wish much more speed,
he may be so restor'd.

KNow here the prayer made for them
vnto the God of peace;
That he would make them [20] righteous,
and in good workes increase.

LAuding and praysing Iesus Christ,
before his salutation,
He doth beseech them to endure
the words [22] of exhortation.

MAking them know that Timothie
deliuered was [23] as then,
He bids salute the Saints, and saith
grace be with all, Amen.

IAMES.

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Chapt. *An. Mundi.*

1 ALpheus ſonne (Th'apoſtle Iames)
writes [1] this Epiſtle here,
Vnto the true conuerted Iewes
diſperſed here and there.
B Idding them vnder croſſe of Chriſt
to ioy [2] exceedingly;
To aske for patience, and to pray
in faith moſt feruently.
C Rowned with glory [12] ſuch ſhall be,
but yet let no man ſay,
That he [13] is tempted of the Lord,
when he is drawne away.
D Eare brethren [16] erre not (ſaith Saint Iames)
good gifts come [17] from aboue;
From him that with the [18] word of truth,
begot vs of his loue.
E Very man be [19] ſwift to heare,
and doe accordingly;
They blamed are [24] that heare, and then
forget [25] immediately.

For

FOr who ſo ſeeme religious
and tongues [16] cannot refraine;
Nor godly life, their godly ſhewes
are all both vile, and vaine.

2 GOod Chriſtians [1] muſt not more regard
the rich, then brethren poore,
Though one be cloathed gorgeouſly,
the other beg at doore.

HE guilty is of all the law,
that doth [10] in part offend;
The mercileſſe muſt iudgement haue,
that neuer ſhall haue end.

IN vaine it is to brag of faith
where no good workes appeare;
The Deuils beleeue there is a God,
and tremble all for feare.

KNow that the workes of Abraham,
and Rahabs works likewiſe,
Did ſhew that they were iuſtifi'd
by faith in Gods owne eyes.

3 LEt none reproue [1] ambitiouſly,
nor raſhly men controle,
Becauſe that we [2] in many things
our ſelues, offend, and fall.

MAn muſt looke well vnto his tongue,
(a member [5] ſmall and euill,)
A very world of wickedneſſe,
and fired by [6] the Deuil.

NO man can tame [8] a wicked tongue,
with it men [10] bleſſe and curſe:
Wild beaſts and ſerpents haue been tam'd,
but naughty tongues are worſe.

OBſerue the worldly wiſdome here,
which enuy brings [14] and ſtrife.

Where

Where wicked workes are multiplied,
and deuillish language [16]rife.

PVre is Gods wisdome from aboue
without dissimulation;
Peaceable, mild, and making men
of godly conuersation.

4 QVarrelling, warrs, brawlings and iarres
come from our lusts and pleasures;
Gainst auarice we are to striue,
and hoarding vp of treasures.

RAsh iudgment here [11] Saint Iames forbids,
intemperance [4], and [5] pride,
He bids vs still draw neere to God,
and he will be our guide.

SVbmit to God [7], resist the Deuill,
and not [13] be confident
In good successe of worldly things,
not knowing [14] the euent.

THy life thou [14] art vncertaine of,
he bids vs to depend
Vpon the prouidence [15] of God,
vntill our liues shall end.

5 VEngeance the [1] wicked rich may feare
to light vpon them all:
Their rusty [2] siluer and their [3] gold
for fiery plagues [3] doe call.

ALoud the hire of labourers
cryes in Iehova's eares:
Wantons, and who in pleasures liue,
haue cause of deadly feares.

BIdding the Saints be patient,
because the Lord's at hand;
And (as the Prophets did and Iob)
still constantly to stand.

Care

CArefully he exhorteth them
of swearing to beware,
In mirth to sing and still to pray
when they afflicted are.
DIstress'd, and sicke, for [14] th'Elders send,
that they for such may pray:
Their prayers [15] much prevaile to drive
sickenesse, and sinne away.
EElias prayed it might not raine,
the Lord his prayer heard:
He pray'd againe [18] that it might raine,
and store of raine appear'd.
FRom truth if any man hath stray'd,
whom some [19] converted hath:
That man shall hide a many sinnes,
and save [20] a soule from death.

I PETER.

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Chapt. *An. Mundi.*

1 ATtend how Peter writes to th' Iewes,
dispers'd in diuers Nations;
Elect of God [2] kept by his power,
through faith vnto saluation.

B Lessing the Lord, who of his loue
had then begot againe
To an inheritance [4] in heauen,
where they with Christ should reigne.

C Ounting the tryall of their faith,
by troubles and [7] temptations
To be more precious then gold,
and seales of [9] their saluation.

D Eclaring that this grace by Christ,
was no strange [10] nor new thing,
Because the [11] Prophets did of old,
the same glad tydings [12] bring.

E Xhorting them that they [13] therefore,
should former lusts forsake,
And to a new and godly life
with speed themselues betake.

Fearing

FEaring for to offend [17] the Lord
by conuersation vaine;
From which they [18] were redeem'd by Christ,
who for their sinnes [19] was slaine.
GIuing them all to vnderstand
that man is like a [24] flower
Soone fading, but that Christs Gospell
for euer doth [25] endure.

2 HEre Peter bids them lay aside
wrath, guile, hypocrisie;
And to desire the word of God,
that they might grow thereby.
IEsus (whereon they all are built)
is their most sure foundation:
A stumbling stone to rebels all
ordain'd for condemnation.
KNow, that we are his people deare,
yea Prophets, Priests and Kings:
Abstaine from lusts, which to your soules
death and destruction brings.
LEt men obey the Magistrates,
(this Peter biddeth here)
And that all Masters should be seru'd
of seruants with all feare.
MIlde Masters if they [18] be, or curst,
they still must subiect be:
And of our Sauiour Christ must learne
to serue them patiently.
NO ill he did [22], yet suffered wrong,
reuiled [23] not againe;
He bare our sinnes [24] vpon the Crosse,
enduring hellish paine.

3 OWiues come learne your duties here,
to husbands [1] subiect be,

That

hat you may winne the vncall'd to God
when they your [2] grace ſhall ſee.
DVt ye not on [3] gay coſtly attire,
adorne your [4] hearts with grace;
s Sara's [6] daughters; chaſtity,
and gentle minds [4] embrace,
QVietly ſtill [6] obeying them.
all husbands they muſt dwell
men of knowledge [7] with their wiues,
regarding them full well.
REſpectiuely he bids all men
that they loue one [8] another;
elling for curſing to requite,
and all ill [10] ſpeech to ſmother.
VFfering perſecution
for righteouſneſſe [14] ſake,
e bids them feare no force of foes,
but rather [15] comfort take.
TO ſanctifie [15] God in their hearts,
to anſwer euery one
ith meekeneſſe; of their [16] faith and hope
they haue in Chriſt alone.
VS, and our ſinnes [18] he ſuffered for,
here Peter doth declare
he loue of Chriſt [19] to the old world,
which he long time did ſpare.
AT laſt the Arke by Noe was made,
eight ſoules were ſau'd therein;
hereto euen [20] Baptiſme anſwereth,
which ſaues vs from our ſinne
BY Chriſt his reſurrection,
who is gone to heauen before,
o whom all powers ſubiect are,
and Angels all adore.

4 CHrist hauing [1] for them suffered,
he bids them [2] cease to sinne,
Wherein (like [3] Gentiles) they had liu'd,
and wills them now beginne
DAily to doe the will of God,
though others thinke it strange;
And raile when they behold, and see
in them so great a change.
EVermore watch, and sober be,
because the end [7] is neare:
He bids them haue [8] among themselues
true loue with godly feare.
FOr loue doth couer [8] many sinnes,
be barborous, speake Gods word,
Giue as the Lord hath giuen [9] to thee,
that Christ may be ador'd.
GRudge not, nor thinke it [10] strange (saith he)
when troubles shall you try;
But when ye suffer ought for [13] Christ,
reioyce exceedingly.
HAppy are they that are reuil'd,
and suffer [14] for Christs name;
But as a thiefe and murtherer
to suffer, were a shame.
IVdgement doth now at Gods owne house
and chosen folke beginne;
O then what shall become of them,
that still liue in their sinne.

5 KNow here the Pastors duty is
the flocke of Christ to feed
Most willingly, and not as Lords,
thereto they must take heed.
LIkewise he bids the yonger ones
to Elders all submit;

ecking themſelues with lowlineſſe
God giueth grace to it.
MOſt humbly ſtill ſubmit to God,
on him [7] caſt all your care:
atch, and be ſober; Sathan ſeekes
mens ſoules [8] to ſpoile and teare.

2 PETER.

apt. An. Mundi.

ALL grace, and peace from Ieſus Chriſt,
th'Apoſtle [1] prayes for here:
o all things for a godly life,
o giue did neuer [4] ſpare.
Idding them vſe all diligence
to adde [5] good conuerſation
o that faith which they in Chriſt
profeſt vnto [7] ſaluation.
CHriſts knowledge [8] they ſhall neuer lacke
that in ſuch things abound;
ir calling [10] and Election
hey ſo make ſure and ſound.
DIligently he alwaies will
bring theſe [11] things to their thought,

That they thereby to [13] constancy,
in truth might all be brought.
ETernall Sonne [14] of God who is,
and so confirm'd to be,
By God, and his [17] Apostles all,
who saw his Maiesty.
FVll well (he saith) they all shall doe,
if that they take good heed
Vnto the word of Prophecie,
a most sure word indeed.
GReat light it is, and shineth bright,
from which neuer [19] depart
Vntill the day and lightsome [20] Starre
shine clearly in your heart.

2 HE here fore-tells of [1] false prophets,
as there had beene of old,
Teaching doctrines most [1] damnable,
their ruine here is told.
IN like sort [3] all their followers,
(for Angells [4] were not spar'd
Nor the old world, [5] when they for Noe,
nor for his preaching car'd.)
KNow Sodom and Gommorra [6] burn'd,
and brought to desolation,
Iust Lot preseru'd whose heart was vext
with their foule [7] conuersation.
LEft for examples are all these,
to all the wicked [8] traine:
God knowes well how to saue his owne,
and see the sinners staine.
MEn walking after their owne lusts,
who gouernement despise;
Presumptuous, and speakers ill
of rules and dignities.

NO Angells (though full great in power)
did euer [11] dare doe ſo.
ut theſe bruit beaſts, ſpeake ill of things
they neuer [12] heard, nor know.

O See how theſe ſeducers all,
their manners, workes, and wayes,
heir vile and filthy practiſes
th'Apoſtle here diſplayes.

PRonouncing fearfull plagues on them,
and thoſe that fall againe
s ſlaues to their [10] corruptions,
from which they did refraine.

QVite ignorant of righteous wayes,
if all ſuch men had beene:
had beene better, then like dogs,
and ſwine, to leaue them cleane.

REmembring them [1] of ancient truth,
which vnto them was brought,
hat Chriſt ſhould come to iudge the world,
though mockers ſet at nought

SVch doctrine; asking when comes he?
we ſee no change at all;
ut Peter bids them all repent;
and ſo for mercy call.

THE Lord (ſaith he) will ſurely come,
euen as [10] a theefe in night:
hen elements [12] ſhall melt with heat,
and all be burnt vp quite.

VNlearned men [16] peruert the truth,
to their finall decay:
ut Peter bids [19] them grow in grace,
and not be [17] pluck't away.

1 IOHN.

Chapt. *An. Mun.*

1 A True description here is made
of Christ both God and man,
Who with the Father equall was
before the world began.
B Behold he is describ'd also,
a true man for to be,
Whom Iohn [3] with his companions,
did handle, heare, and see.
C Hrist hee declareth thus to vs,
that we might coupled be
To God the Father, and the Sonne,
and so full ioy [4] might see.
D Eclare he doth that God is light,
in him no [5] darkenesse is:
If we in sinne and darkenesse walke,
then are [6] we none of his.
E Very one that [7] walkes in
hath fellowship with him:
So that the blood of Iesus Christ
doth cleanse vs from all sinne.

FAith this effects: but if wee ſay
that we no foule ſinne haue,
We haue no truth at all in vs,
but doe our ſelues deceiue.
GOd faithfull is, iuſt, gracious,
to cleanſe vs from [9] all ſinne,
If we acknowledge them to God,
and liue no more therein.
HIs word in vs is not at all,
we him a lyer make,
If that we [10] ſay we haue not ſinn'd,
he will vs then forſake.
2 IN louing ſort he calls them babes,
and writeth to this end:
That they no more ſhould liue in ſinne,
but ſinfull manners mend.
KNowne this he makes yet to vs all,
and it beleeue we muſt,
That if we [1] ſinne, an Aduocate
we haue; euen Chriſt the iuſt.
LOuing vs, he is for our ſinnes
the reconciliation;
Yea for all faithfull in [2] the world,
he is their ſoules ſaluation.
MAde ſure hereof we are hereby,
and that we know [3] him right,
If that we keepe his precepts pure,
and walke as in his ſight.
NOte him that ſaith he knoweth him,
and yet doth not obey
His precepts, that man hath no [4] truth,
but lyes what e'er he ſay.
OBſerue that he that keepes his word,
the loue of God indeed

In him is perfect, he is in Christ;
we need not doubt nor dread.

PVrely (as Christ did) must he walke,
no sinne his life [6]must staine,
That saith, that he is ioyn'd with Christ,
and doth in him remaine.

QVestionlesse, no new command
he here doth write and tell;
But that same word [7]which they of old
heard giuen to Israel.

RNew'd is now that old command,
which here he [8]calleth new;
Because that both in Christ and vs
it is apparent true.

Sith that the darknesse now is past,
and light doth shine [8]forth plaine;
He wils vs walke as sonnes of light,
and darksome sinnes refraine.

THat man that saith he is in light,
and doth his brother hate;
He is in sinfull [9]darknesse still,
his soule in wofull state.

VNto his brother who is kinde,
and loues him with his heart;
He bides in light, and with no euill;
will such a man take part.

AS for that man that brother hates,
in darknesse still he lyes;
He knoweth not whither he goes,
darknesse doth blind his eyes.

BEcause your sinnes (for Christs name sake)
are now remitted quite;
O little babes, my [13]children deare,
to you therefore I write.

COme learne how that th' Apoſtle Iohn
vouchſafes to [13] take the paine
To write to fathers, and to babes,
to young men [14] here againe.
DEhorting from loue of the world,
and things that are therein;
If any loue this world (he ſaith)
Gods loue is [15] not in him.
EAch worldly thing (as luſt and pride)
to God doth not pertaine,
But to the [17] world, which with worlds luſts
doe paſſe away amaine.
FOr euer doth that man endure,
that doth the Fathers [17] will,
Hating all pride and ſtriuing ſtill
his luſts in him to kill.
GIuing them warning to take heed
of [18] Antichriſtian pride,
He ſhewes [19] why ſome did them forſake,
and would not with them bide.
HE ſhewes that he is Antichriſt
that Ieſus [22] Chriſt denyes:
He bids them hold on in the truth,
and not [24] beleeue [26] their lyes.
IN Chriſt he bids vs all abide,
that when [28] he ſhall appeare
We may be bold and not aſham'd,
nor ſtand in any feare.
KNow, and admire the wondrous loue
which heauenly Father ſhewes
The ſtile and [1] title of his ſonnes
vpon vs he beſtowes.
LEtting vs know, that for this cauſe
the world doth not regard,

Nor know vs, for it knowes not him,
who doth vs thus reward.

MAking vs now the Sonnes of God,
when Iesus shall appeare,
He saith, we [3] shall be like to him,
and shall him see full cleare.

NO man that hath this hope in him,
but euen as [5] Christ is pure,
So he doth purge himselfe from sinne,
no sinne he can endure.

OBserue that whosoeuer sinnes,
Gods law he doth transgresse;
Christ came to take away our sinnes
and all our [5] wickednesse.

PErfectly pure is Christ our Lord,
in him there [5] is no sinne;
He sinneth not, who by true faith,
doth still [6] abide in him.

OVake sinners. He that sinne commits,
delighting to doe euill,
He knowes not [6] Christ, and here Iohn saith
that man is of the Deuill.

REuealed was the Son of God,
for this end and purpose,
That he might sinne destroy in his,
and deuillish workes [8] vnlose.

SO that in him that's borne of God,
no sinne at all doth reigne,
Because his [9] seed (the holy Ghost)
doth in that man remaine.

THus are Gods children knowne from Deuill,
who doth not [10] righteousnesse,
Is not of God, nor who no loue
to brethren doth expresse.

Whos

VNto you all, and vnto vs,
this message long agoe
Came, that we [11] should loue one another,
the Lord commanded so.
AS cruell Cain we [12] must not loue,
who shed his brothers blood,
Because his owne workes wicked were,
and brothers workes were good.
BY this we know that God from death
to life doth vs translate,
Because we [14] loue the bretheren,
and no mans person hate.
CVrst manslayer he here is call'd,
that doth his brother hate;
Who loues him [15] not, abides in death,
and is in hellish state.
DEare loue we haue perceiu'd from Christ,
who for vs shed his blood,
So ought we to [16] lay downe our liues,
to doe our brethren good.
ESteeme him voyd of Christian loue,
that hath this earthly good,
And sees his brother stand in need,
and wil not giue him food.
FRom sincere hearts, in deed and truth,
he bids vs shew our loue,
And not in word and tongue alone,
which doth but fained proue.
GOds Sons we know our selues to be,
by loue and charity,
And haue assurance [19] in our hearts
before his Maiesty.
HE bids vs here looke to our hearts,
if they shall vs accuse;

God

God (who is greater then our hearts)
will not one ſinne excuſe.
IF that our hearts condemne [21] vs not,
with God we may be bold
To aske and haue: [22] no good thing he
doth from his ſons with hold.
KNow what this his commandement is;
it's faith in Chriſt to haue;
And that we one another loue,
as he commandement gaue
LEarne that in him that keepes his lawes,
euen Chriſt himſelfe doth dwell,
And by that ſpirit giuen to vs,
we know this thing full well.
4 MArke here how Iohn bids not beleeue
all ſpirits; but to try
Whether they be of God or no;
for many ſpirits lye.
NOte him to haue the ſpirit of God,
that doth confeſſe and ſay,
That Ieſus Chriſt is [3] come in fleſh
hee's falſe that doth gainſay.
OF Antichriſt this is the ſpirit,
and from the world doth ſpeake;
The world doth heare him, and they both
Gods lawes deſpiſe and breake.
PErſwading them [4] they are of God,
becauſe [6] his word they heare,
Iohn doth exhort them for to loue
each one his [7] brother deare.
QVite deſtitute he is of God
that loueth not [8] his brother;
In this thing Gods loue did appeare
more then in any other,

Right

RIght louingly because he sent
his Sonne that we might [9] liue,
And reconcil'd [10] vs vnto God,
And all our sinnes forgiue.
SO lou'd of God, we [11] ought to loue
each one his brother well,
Which if we doe [12] wee dwell in God,
and God in vs doth dwell.
THis thing we know, because he hath
giuen vs his spirit [13] of grace,
And sent his sonne to saue the world,
which was in woefull case.
VNdauntedly who doth confesse,
that Iesus is Gods Sonne;
God dwels in him, and [15] he in God,
his blisse is here begunne.
ALL slauish feare true loue expels,
such feare [18] hath painfulnesse:
In that mans loue, that feareth so,
there is no perfectnesse.
BVT we loue [19] God, because that he
did loue vs first of all.
Who saith he loues, [20] and brother hates
Iohn doth a lyar call.
COncluding that who loues not man,
whom he doth daily see;
Can neuer loue [20] the liuing Lord
not seene with mortall eye.
5 DEclaring here the [1] fruits of faith,
and Christs [14] Authority,
He sheweth what his office is,
and his [20] diuinity.
EAch man that truely doth beleeue
that Iesus is the Chaist,

Is borne of [1] God, and loueth him
that's gotten of the higheſt.
FIrſt, when we loue the liuing Lord,
and keepe his lawes with feare;
We know we loue the ſonnes of [1] God,
which are his children deare.
GOds loue is this, that we doe keepe
his lawes, as in his ſight,
Which are not grieuous to [3] Gods ſonnes,
but pleaſant, eaſie, light.
HEE that is borne anew of God,
(as here th' Apoſtle ſaith)
Doth ouercome this wicked world,
and this is done [4] through faith.
IT's he that ouercomes the world,
that truely doth [5] beleeue
That Ieſus is the ſonne of God,
and him doth worſhip giue.
KNow that this Chriſt by water came
vs for to ſanctifie;
Know that he came by [6] blood alſo,
vs for to iuſtifie.
LEt vs not ſeparate theſe two,
here are ſix witneſſes,
Three from [7] aboue, three in the earth,
which Chriſts loue doth expreſſe.
MArke that the Father, Word, and Spirit
are one in perſons three,
The ſpirit, water [8] and the blood,
all theſe in one agree.
NOw if that wee mans witneſſe doe
with willingneſſe receiue,
Gods witneſſe [9] greater is by much,
and will no man deceiue.

1 Obſcure

OBserue Gods record, which is this,
that he doth [11] freely giue
Eternall [12] life in Christ his sonne,
to all that purely liue.

PRayers proceeding from true faith,
are neuer [14] made in vaine;
Iohn saith he heares, and we [15] our suits
most certainly obtaine.

QVickned by faith he bids vs pray
not for our selues alone,
But for our [16] brethrens sinnes that they
may be forgiuen each one.

REstrained are our prayers here,
we [17] must not pray for all,
For sinners that sinne vnto death,
and from Christ wholy fall.

SInning against the holy Ghost,
for such we must not pray,
But who are borne [18] anew of God,
fall neuer so away.

THat we our selues are borne of God,
we know assuredly,
And that the world (by nature [19] lost)
in wickednesse doth lie.

VNto vs Iesus Christ hath giuen
a minde to know his will,
This Christ is that same very God,
and life that lasteth still.

AGainst this God, all Idols, and
all [21] worships false are vaine,
From which th' Apostle bids them here
in any case refraine.



2 IOHN.

Chap. *An. Mundi.*

1 A Worthy Lady Iohn saluteth,
and eke her children deare,
Reioycing [1] that they walke in truth,
in loue, and godly feare.

B Eseeching her [2] that she would still
continue in that loue,
Which she from the beginning had
receiu'd from God aboue.

C Oncerning which, he doth declare
his meaning [6] and intents,
That he would haue her still to walke
in Gods Commandements.

D Eceiuers many now there are,
(saith he) which say [7] that Christ
Is not as yet come in the flesh,
such one is Antichrist.

E Xhort he doth still to persist
and not the truth transgresse,
That they [8] a full reward may haue
and perfect blessednesse.

For

FOR that man hath not God, that bides
not in Christs doctrine pure;
Both God the Father and the Sonne
he hath, that doth endure.
GOd speed, you shall not say to him,
nor him to house receiue,
That brings you not this word of Christ,
but would your soules deceiue.
HE that such signes of fauour shewes,
as for to bid God speed,
Is called a partaker here
of that mans wicked deed.

3 IOHN.

Chapt. *An. Mundi.*

1 ABundant loue the elder IOHN
doth to good Gaius beare;
Wishing his [2] body prospered,
euen as his soule did fare.
2 BEcause the bretheren said he walkt
in godly [3] verity,
And that his [4] sonnes did so likewise,
he ioyes exceedingly.

Com-

COmmending him, because he kept
good hospitality,
And with afflicted Christians,
did deale most bounteously.

DEclared was this loue of his,
in Churches [6] where they came;
Iohn bids him bring them on their way,
and so preserue his fame.

EVen for Christs name sake they went forth,
(he saith) and naught did [7] take
Of Gentiles. Therefore of such men
we ought [8] full much to make.

FRaught full of pride, Diotrephes,
who lou'd to [9] dominier,
For casting [10] out the brethren,
is iustly taxed here.

GAjus is willed here to shun
the ill, and good t' [11] imbrace,
Well doers are of God (he saith),
ill doers, haue no grace.

HEre he commends Demetrius
to be of good report,
Of Truth it selfe, and of all [12] Saints
whom he did much comfort.

IOhn testifieth this himselfe,
who diuers things had [13] then
To write of, but doth here refuse
to write with inke and pen.

KIndly he wisheth Gajus peace,
and shortly [14] trusts that he
Shall speake to him euen mouth to mouth,
friends, then saluted be,

IVDE.

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Chapt. *An. Mundi*

1 ALL faithfull people which are call'd
of God, and ſanctified,
Iude prayes that mercy, peace, and loue
to them be multiplied.

2 BIdding them ſtrictly contend
the faith for to maintaine,
(Which once was given vnto the Saints)
and therein to remaine.

3 CRept in (the faith) were certaine men
which were ordain'd before
Of old, to condemnation,
reiecting Chriſtian lore.

4 DEnying God, the onely Lord,
and Chriſt our Sauiour deare:
Turning Gods grace to wantonneſſe,
without all grace and feare.

5 EXamples here he doth produce
of incredulitie;
How vnbeleeuing Iſraelites
in wilderneſſe did dye.

Fearefully

FEarefully did the Angels fall,
and left their habitation,
And now are kept in darkest chaines,
to indgement and damnation.

GOmorra, Sodome and the townes,
that fill'd their foule desires,
For our [7] example are set forth,
and suffer endlesse fires.

HEE further checks such drowsie drones
that doe the flesh [8] defile,
Who doe despise good government,
and magistrates reuile.

IN milder sort did Michael
(the great Arch-Angel) deale,
He durst not vse reuiling speech,
but did to God appeale.

KNowing it was the deuill that did
with him dispute and striue
About the bodie of Moses dead,
which lately was aliue.

LEwdly these wretches speake of things
the which they neuer knew,
And in the things they knew full well,
themselues like beasts they shew,

MAlicious Caine they imitate,
woe is denounc'd to all,
Who like to Korah and Balaam,
most fearefully do fall.

NOte how th' Apostle painteth out
these filthy shamelesse beasts,
Who feed themselues, he saith they are
as blots in their loue-feasts.

OBserue how he compareth them
to clouds that haue no water,

Which

Which bluſtring winds, with boiſtrous blaſts
diſperſe abroad and ſcatter.
PErished quite, and fruiteleſſe trees,
th' Apoſtle doth them name,
Twice dead and pluck't vp by the rootes,
ſtill foming out their ſhame.
QVite void of grace as waues of ſeas
they are, which rage and roare,
For whom black darkneſſe is reſeru'd
in hell for euermore.
REade here how Enoch propheci'd,
(who liued long agoe)
Saying that [14] Chriſt ſhould come to iudge
ſuch men to endleſſe woe.
SO alſo all vngodly ones,
which after ſhould ſucceed,
For all their [15] curſt and cruell words,
and all their wicked deeds.
THe murmurers and complainers,
who doe their luſts fulfill,
Proud [16] in their ſpeech, who men admire
for their aduantage ſtill.
VIle men, who were ſpoke of before,
euen by [17] th' Apoſtles all,
Who ſhould be [18] mockers, whom St. Iude
bids here to minde to call.
ALL theſe doe ſeparate themſelues
(as meerly naturall)
From other men, becauſe [19] they haue
no ſpirit of grace at all.
BVt Iude bids them to edifie
themſelues [20] in faith and loue,
Vntill the mercy of the Lord
in Chriſt, at laſt they proue.

Compaſſion

COmpassion they must haue on some
that erre and goe astray,
Some other with [22] seuere reproofes
they must affright and fray.
DEfiled garment by the flesh,
yea [23] euen the least contagion
Of sinne, St. Iude bids them abhor,
and haue in detestation.
EArnestly then he them commends
to Gods eternall [24] grace,
Who can vphold, and them present
faultlesse before Gods face.
FInally Iude to God most wise;
to Christ our [25] Saviour then
Ascribes all glory, power and might
for euermore. Amen.

REVELATION.

Chapt. *An. Mund.*

1 ASian Churches [1] Iohan salutes
from God in [5] Trinity:
Christ comes to [7] iudge: all shall him see,
his might [14] and maiesty.

[a] Behold

2 BEhold what Iohn to th' Angels [2] writes
of Smyrna, Ephesus:
In Thyatyra [18] what defects;
what's prais'd in [12] Pergamus.

COncerning [9] Smyrna (rich in grace)
the Lord doth well [10] approue:
Th' Ephesian Church is greatly [4] blam'd,
for loosing her first loue.

3 DEad Sardis is (though said [1] to liue)
euen all except [3] a few:
They're bid repent; keepe what they heard,
or shortly sure shall rue.

EVen in that City some there [4] were
who kept their garments pure
Who worthy were to walke in [5] white:
they shall bee saued sure.

FAithful Philadelphia's [10] prays'd,
but Laodicea's told
That God will spew her out, for she
is neither hot nor [16] cold.

4 GOds [2] throne, foure beasts, seuen lamps he
the [5] Chrystall [6] sea, and sound: (sees
The Elders fall before the throne,
and they cast [10] their crownes.

5 HEre opened is the sealed [6] booke,
by that Lamb which was slaine:
The Elders [12] praise him, he by's blood
them [9] sau'd from endlesse paine.

6 INorder [1] opened [3] are the [4] seales:
foure horses; soules [9] complaine;
Sun [11] darke: stars [13] fall: men call to [16] rocks
to free them from their paine.

7 KNow soules [9] innumerable seal'd,
saluation [10] here they cry:

In Lambes blood are their white robes washt:
teares wip't [14] from euery [17] eye.

8 LO Angels sound their [2] Trumpets seuen,
foure [6] sounding, cause complaints:
Great [7] plagues doe [13] follow: Christ perfumes
the prayers [3] of the Saints.

9 MAke hellish smoake [2] obscures the Sunne:
hence [3] Locusts [5] sting full sore:
First woe is [12] past: sixt Angel [13] sounds,
here loos'd are [14] Angels foure.

10 NOw with the booke (which [9] Iohn must eat;
an Angel strong appeares:
In belly bitter, sweete in mouth:
an end of time he [6] sweares.

11 OF pow'r giu'n to [6] two * witnesses: *4462
Beast [7] kils them and they [8] lye
Vnburi'd [9], and yet [12] rise * againe; * 5322.
Christ [15] raignes eternally.

12 PAined in child-birth, * Dragon [2] seeks
her child for to [3] devoure (*46.
She [6] flying is by him [15] pursu'd:
Christ conquers by his [10] power

13 QVelling Dragon here giues his power
to th' monstrous horned [2] beast:
A second [12] beast his [14] Image makes; 4662.
false [11] worship's here increast.

14 REade how Christ [1] on mount Sion stands
with his redeemed [4] all, 5062
An Angel doth the Gospell [6] preach:
reade here of [8] Babels fall.

SOre plagues [9] for all beast-worshippers,
who take [10] his marke or name,
In head or hand, or print thereof,
euen [11] endlesse fire and flame.

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THe harueſt of the [15] world is here,
the ſickle cke of God;
The Vintage, wine-preſſe of his [20] wrath
without the Citie trod.

15 VNto the [1] Lord the victors [2] ſing:
the Temple [3] op'ned ſee:
The ſeuen [4] laſt plagues; ſeuen [5] vialls here,
with Gods wrath filled be.

16 ALL floods and [6] fountaines feele theſe
the [7] earth, the [8] ſeas, and [9] ſun: (plagues
The men that had the marke [10] o'th Beaſt,
with grieuous ſores vndone.

BEaſt ſeat is plagu'd, they all [11] blaſpheme;
as thiefe [12] Chriſt commeth ſure:
All they are bleſt that watchfull are,
and [13] keepe their garments pure.

17 COme ſee [1] the purple-ſcarlet Whore,
with [2] golden cup in hand:
Drunke with the blood of martyr'd [3] Saints
ſhe ſhed in euery land.

DEſcrib'd is here [1] great Babylon,
what by ſeuen [2] heads are meant:
What by ten [11] hornes: Lambs [12] victory;
the great Whores puniſhment.

18 EVen as a cage of [20] vncleane birds,
where ſp'rits, and fiends doe dwell,
Great Babylon is now become,
and is falne downe to hell.

18 FLy out of her ([4] my people deare)
the Kings and [7] Merchants all
Lament for her, but all Gods Saints
reioyce [20] to ſee her fall.

19 GOd (for auenging of his [1] Saints,
and iudging the great Whore)

Is magnified for his loue,
and [1] for his glorious power.

HEre is the [2] mariage of the Lambe;
Iohn fals at [3] th' Angels feet,
He him reproues; the fowles [4] are call'd
the flesh of Kings to eate.

20 INto the pit is [5] Satan cast;
they holy are [6] and blest,
That in this life rise from their sinne,
in heauen with [6] Christ they rest.

KNow [7] Satan loos'd, Gog and [8] Magog
the Deuill cast [9] into hell:
The great [10] Assize, the godly [11] sau'd,
they damn'd [12] that did not well.

21 LOe both new heauen and [1] earth appeare
new [13] Salem in his sight,
Most glorious, needing neither Sunne
nor Moone [14] to giue her light.

MArke ekc Christs Bride, all teares remou'd,
the victor [7] shall haue all.
To Salem, Kings their [14] riches bring,
in hell the fearfull [8] fall.

22 NOte here the Riuer [15], Tree [16] of life,
which sauing health afford;
The [17] Angell will not worshipt be:
adde nothing to [18] this word.

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From the Creation of Adam to Seth were		*yeres* 130	
From the birth of	*Seth* to *Enos*	105	
	Enos to *Kenan*	90	
	Kenan to *Mahaleel*	70	
	Mahaleel to *Ired*	65	
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	Chanoch to *Methuſaleth*	65	
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	Heber to *Peleg*	34	
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	Abram to *Iſack*	100	*Gen. 21.*
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Iacob lived		147	*Gen. 47.*
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From the death of *Ioſeph* to the birth of *Moſes*		80	
From the birth of *Moſes* to the going forth of Ægypt		80	*Exod. 7. 12.*
From the going forth of Ægypt to the building of the Tabernacle		1	*Exo. 40. 17.*
	The ſumme of the yeres	2509	

The old mans *A.B.C.*

Ye Saints on earth be of good cheere,
The darts of Death ye need not feare.

1 *Cor.* 15. 55. A Ccount thou death a dreadfull thing,
Which hath by Christ now lost its sting?

1 *Thes.* 4. 17. B E sure, as Spring doth Winter blasts,
So followes death, a life that lasts.

1 *Cor.* 15. 5. C Ssin this corps, and lay't in graue,
In glorious Rising it shall haue.

2 *Tim.* 2. 6. D Ebt due to God Thereby pay,
And by dying at th' appointed day.

Heb. 9. 27. E Xceeding welcome Death's to me,
For all men must dye, no man is free.

Rev. 14. 13. F Vll happy man that dyes in faith,
His good works follow him, Christ saith.

Phil. 1. 23. G Lad are the Saints dissolu'd to be;
To liue with Christ his face to see.

Rev. 6. 16. H E well may quake and feare to dye,
That in his filthy sinnes doth lye.

1 *Thes.* 4. 14. I N Death is gaine, it's gate of Life:
Last night, a sleepe; an end of strife.

1 *Pet.* 1. 14. K Nowne Gods Ambassador to be,
Death will I meet, I will not flee.

Heb. 2. 14. L Ord Paramount of death hath kill'd
Death by his death, and law fulfill'd.

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M Vse oft vpon thy latter end, (mend. *Psal.*
the thoughts of death will make thee 90. 12.
N Ought but Christs death doth sin re- *Rom.*
admire the greatnes of his loue. (moue 5. 8.
O F earthly Pilgrims death from God, 2 *Cor.*
makes vs possest of heauens abode. 5. 6.
P sse not for death, I daily die, 1 *Cor.*
why then doth death me terrifie? 15. 31.
Q Viet thy selfe, thy day of death, *Eccles.*
excels that houre thou first tooke 7 1.
R Eceiuing but our due deserts, (breath. 1 *Pet.*
why then should death afflict our harts? 20.
S Ith God from all eternity, *Heb.* 9.
hath so decreed that all must dye. 27.
T Hat deadly foe (last foe of all) 1 *Cor.*
at last shall haue a deadly fall. 15. 26.
V Anquished death I wish were nye, *Rom.* 7.
It ends a Christians misery. 24.

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Vpon the Image of DEATH.

BEfore my face the Picture hangs,
That dayly should put me in mind
Of those cold qualmes and bitter pangs,
That shortly I am like to find.
But yet alas, full little I
Doe thinke hereon that I must dye.

I often looke vpon the face
Most vgly, grisly, bare, and thinne;
I often view the hollow place,
Where eyes and nose had sometimes bin:
I see the bones, a crosse that lye,
Yet little thinke that I must dye.

I reade the Label vnderneath,
That telleth me whereto I must:
I see the sentence eke that sayth,
Remember man that thou art dust:
But yet alas but seldome I
Doe thinke indeed that I must dye.

Continually at my beds head
An hearse doth hang which doth me tell,
That I ere morning may be dead,
Though now I feele my selfe full well:
But yet alas for all this I,
Have little mind that I must die.

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The Gowne which I doe vse to weare,
The knife wherwith I cut my meat,
And eke that old and ancient chaire,
Which is my onely vsuall seat,
All these doe tell me I must dye,
And yet my life amend not I.

My Ancestors are turn'd to clay,
And many of my mates are gone,
My yongers daily drop away,
And can I thinke to scape alone,
No, no, I know that I must dye,
And yet my life amend not I.

Not *Salomon* for all his wit,
Nor *Sampson* though he were so strong,
No King nor person euer yet
Could scape, but death layd him along:
Wherefore I know that I must dye,
And yet my life amend not I.

Though all the East did quake to heare
Of *Alexanders* dreadfull name:
And all the West did likewise feare
To heare of *Iulius Cæsars* fame:
Yet both by death in dust doe lie,
Who then can scape, but he must dye.

If none can scape Deaths dreadfull dart,
If rich and poore his becke obey,
If strong, if wise, if all doe smart,
Then I to scape shall haue no way.
O grant me grace, O God that I
My life may mend, sith I must dye.

Of Mans Mortalitie.

Like as the Damaske Roſe you ſee,
Or like the bloſſome on the tree,
Or like the daintie flower of May,
Or like the morning to the day,
Or like the Sunne, or like the ſhade,
Or like the Gourd which Ionas had.
Euen ſuch is man, whoſe threed is ſpun,
Drawne out, and cut, and ſo is done:
The Roſe withers, the bloſſome blaſteth,
The flower fades, the morning haſteth.
The Sun ſets, the ſhadow flies,
The Gourd conſumes, and man he dyes.

Like to the Graſſe thats newly ſprung,
Or like a tale thats new begun,
Or like the bird thats here to day,
Or like the pearled dew of May,
Or like an houre, or like a ſpan,
Or like the ſinging of a Swan.
Euen ſuch is man, who liues by breath,
Is here, now there, in life, and death:
The Graſſe withers, the tale is ended,
The bird is flowne, the dew's aſcended,
The houre is ſhort, the ſpan not long,
The Swan's neere death, mans life is done.

Like to the bubble in the brooke,
Or, in a Glaſſe, much like a looke:
Or like a ſhuttle in Weauers hand,
Or like the writing on the ſand,

Or

Or like a thought, or like a dreame,
Or like the glyding of the ſtreame:
Euen ſuch is man, who liues by breath,
Is heere, now there, in life, and death.
The Bubble's cut, the looke's forgot,
The Shuttle's flung, the writing's blot:
The thought is paſt, the dreame is gone,
The water glides, mans life is done.

Like to an Arrow from the Bow,
Or like ſwift courſe of watery flow,
Or like the time twixt flood and ebbe,
Or like the Spiders tender webbe;
Or like a race, or like a Gole,
Or like the dealing of a dole.
Euen ſuch is man, whoſe brittle ſtate
Is alwayes ſubiect vnto fate:
The Arrowe's ſhot, the flood ſoone ſpent,
The time no time, the webbe ſoone rent:
The race ſoone run, the Goale ſoone wonne,
The dole ſoone dealt, Mans life firſt done.

Like to the lightning from the skie,
Or like a Poſt that quicke doth hie,
Or like a quauer in ſhort ſong,
Or like a Iourney three daies long;
Or like the Snow when Summer's come,
Or like the Peare, or like the Plum.
Euen ſuch is man, who heapes vp ſorrow,
Liues but this day and dyes to morrow.
The Lightning's paſt, the Poſt muſt goe,
The Song is ſhort, the Iourney's ſo,
The Peare doth rot, the Plum doth fall,
The Snow diſſolues, and ſo muſt all.

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Errata to be corrected.

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